



# THE AMERICAN LEGION

Jonathan D. Rozier Post 164 – Katy, TX

**Commander:** Harry Woodstrom  
**Post Commander**  
**Adjutant:** Jeff Pizarra  
**Post Adjutant**

**Date:** June 28, 2017  
**Attendance:** 31  
**Signed In:** 30  
**Guests:** 1  
**New Members:** 3  
**Transfers:** 0

**Convened:** 1930 hours

**Adjourned** 2113 hours

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## 1930 Hours Commander Woodstrom Called the Meeting to Order

<b>Opening Ceremony:</b>	<b>Commander Woodstrom</b>
<b>Chaplain:</b>	<b>Chaplain Brokaw</b>
<b>POW/MIA Empty Chair:</b>	<b>Asst. Sgt. at Arms Ron DeFoor</b>
<b>Prayer:</b>	<b>Comrade Ron Defoor</b>
<b>Pledge of Allegiance:</b>	<b>Commander Woodstrom</b>
<b>Recital of American Legion Preamble:</b>	<b>Commander Woodstrom</b>
<b>Quorum:</b>	<b>19:33</b>

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## ORDER OF BUSINESS:

### ROLL CALL:

COMMANDER	PRESENT
VICE-COMMANDER	PRESENT
ADJUTANT	PRESENT
FINANCE OFFICER	PRESENT
JUDGE ADVOCATE	PRESENT



CHAPLAIN	PRESENT
HISTORIAN	PRESENT
SERGEANT-AT-ARMS	PRESENT
SERVICE OFFICER	PRESENT
PUBLIC RELATIONS:	PRESENT

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### **REVIEW OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (CHANGES?):**

Adjutant Pizarra informed the membership that a copy of the minutes for April 2017 were available posted on the website and they emailed out.

- Adjutant moved to accept the minutes as written, posted on the website and emailed to the membership. Comrade Clock seconds the motion. Motion passed unanimously
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### **REVIEW OF MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (executive committee action items covered in new business):**

- No report available.
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### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **1) Finance Report:**

Finance Officer McGuire read and presented the finance report. Report was turned in.

- Question by Comrade Klekar: How many poppies are left? Comrade McGuire said there was still plenty on hand.

#### **2) Sergeant-at-Arms:**

Assistant Sgt-at-Arms DeFoor gave his report. Thirty (30) people signed in for tonight's meeting. There was a total of one (1) guest, one (1) of which had not signed in. We had three (3) new members. The Sign-In Sheet was turned in.

- Starting at next month's meeting, there will be a new method of the presentation of flags.

#### **3) Chaplain report:**

Chaplain Brokaw gave the Chaplain's Report. No report turned in.



- Comrade Seaton was given about 2 months by his doctor.
- Comrade Foland's brother, Will Foland, has stage 4 cancer.
- Comrade Powers has stage 2 cancer.
- Employment opportunity – a newly formed veteran manufacturing company in Katy is hiring with preferences to veterans.

#### **4) Post Service Officer:**

Adjutant Pizarras read the Service Officer's Report for Comrade Foland. Comrade Foland assisted two (2) veterans this past month. Comrade Foland also had a conversation with the District Service Officer at DeBakey VA Medical Center, in which the topic of Agent Orange was discussed. Agent Orange will not be recognized by the VA unless the veteran's DD214 states the veteran was in the country of Vietnam or has a Vietnam Ribbon. Report turned in.

#### **5) Vice Commander:**

Vice Commander Baker had no report.

#### **6) Boy's State:**

Comrade Thomas informed the membership that this year's Boy's State review will be held at Agave Rio @ 09:00 hrs. No report turned in.

#### **7) Honor Guard:**

Comrade DeFoor has been appointed as the new Honor Guard Captain for Post 164. Asking for volunteers, see Comrade DeFoor after the meeting. No report turned in.

#### **8) Public Relations:**

Comrade Clock turned in his report reflecting the Post being mentioned 9 different occasions in four (4) different publications. Post Officer Election results, flag retirement, and Boy's State were the topics.



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## INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

- Chaplain Brokaw was installed as Chaplain due to his absence from last month's meeting.

## INITIATION OF CANDIDATES

Jack Long

Janet Long

Larry Jones

Despina Scott

Brent Scott

Rocky Blair

Alex Roese

Anthony Gallegos

Jose Nieto

Richard "Doug" Baker

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## UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

No report

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## NEW BUSINESS, CORRESPONDANCE and ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **1) Resolutions**

Resolution from Bryan D. Coleman, candidate for Department Commander  
Chaplain Brokaw moved to table the topic. Commander Woodstrom agreed and topic set aside for later.



## **2) Boys State Feedback meeting - \$15 Boys meal**

Topic brought up in regards to the upcoming Boy's State review brunch. It was suggested that for the boys, and only the boys, their meals be paid for by the Post. Comrade Ikner moved that we accept the proposal, seconded by Chaplain Brokaw. Motion passed.

## **3) ALEI Training**

Topic brought up in regards to ALEI training at Post 490 on July 29, from 10 am to 2 pm. The cost will be \$5.00.

## **4) Creation of Post Directory**

Topic brought up in regards to creating a Post Directory.

- Discussion about creating a Post Directory available only to members of the Post. The directory would only be accessible on the website, and members of the Post would have access by using a password determined by the webmaster. Participation in the Directory would be voluntary.
- Comrade Doug Baker moved to accept, with Comrade Ikner seconding. Motion passed.

Amendment to Proposal introduced.

- Directory is not to be used for commercial purposes.
- Moved by Comrade Doug Baker, seconded by Chaplain Brokaw. Motion passed.

## **5) Auxiliary Unit 164**

Membership was informed that the Auxiliary Charter was approved. Now looking for a home to hold their meetings.

## **6) Constitution & By-Law Changes (details attached)**

The following items were discussed:

- a. Change of Auxiliary name
- b. Authorize Executive Committee \$250 expenditure
- c. Remove gender language

## **7) Committees**

The following committees are in need of Chairpersons, asking membership for volunteers or be appointed

- a. Training
- b. Honor Guard



- Comrade Ron DeFoor has been appointed as the Honor Guard Captain and Asst. Sgt-at-Arms.
- c. Flag Retirement
  - Comrade Cormier appointed as Chairperson
- d. Fire Fighter & EMT Awards Banquet
  - OPEN
- e. Boy's State
  - Comrade Ikner has been appointed as Boy's State Chariman
- f. Oratorical
  - OPEN
- g. JROTC
  - Comrade McGuire volunteered to be Chairperson/Liaison
- h. School Award Medals
  - OPEN
- i. Boy Scouts
  - OPEN
- j. Military Commitment Awards
  - OPEN
- k. VA Relations
  - Comrade Foland has been appointed VA Relations Chairman

### **8) Fund Raisers**

Comrade McGuire will head the effort to organize and run fundraising events.

### **9) Sponsorship Program**

Comrade McGuire will give a presentation on Sponsorship Program

### **10) Elk's Car Show**

The Katy Elk's Lodge will be hosting a Car Show on July 8<sup>th</sup>. They have informed the Post that we can have a booth in the show. Show starts at 10 am and will last till 4 pm.

### **11) Boy's State Brunch & Awards**

Topic has already been discussed.



## **12) WWI Veteran's Dues**

It has been brought to the membership's attention that the Post has been paying the dues for WWII members of the Post. Unfortunately, after extensive research through past minutes, it could not be found that the membership voted on the topic. It is now being formally brought before the membership for a vote.

- a. Comrade Cormier moved that the membership accept the proposal. Vice-Commander Richard "Doug" Baker seconded the motion. Motion passed.

## **13) July 4<sup>th</sup> Family Fun Day**

The proposed July 4<sup>th</sup> picnic, coordinated by the Auxiliary, has unfortunately been cancelled. It was decided that there was not enough time to make the event happen. However, there is definitely a plan to have the event next year, 2018.

## **14) Sons of the American Legion**

Interest has been shown in forming a Sons of the American Legion squadron. Proposal to form a committee to research the possibility.

- a. Comrade moved to accept the proposal to form a committee. Motion seconded by Comrade Scott. Motion passed.

## **15) Legion Riders**

Interest has been shown in creating a Legion Riders unit. Proposal to form a committee to research the possibility.

Comrade Ikner moved to table the discussion for a later date. Seconded by Vice-Commander Richard "Doug" Baker. Motion passed.

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No topics discussed

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## GUEST SPEAKER

Comrade McGuire gives a PowerPoint presentation on the Sponsorship Program. Next month's Guest Speaker will be a representative from the Honor Flight Program

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**Closing Ceremony:**

**Commander Woodstrom**

**Closing Prayer:**

**Chaplain Brokaw**

**Meeting adjourned at 2113 hours**



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**Adjutant Jeff Pizarra**