

THE AMERICAN LEGION

Jonathan D. Rozier Post 164 - Katy, TX

Commander: Harry Woodstrom Date: July 26, 2017

Post Commander Attendance: 31
Adjutant: Jeff Pizarras Signed In: 30
Post Adjutant Guests: 1
New Members: 3
Transfers: 0

Convened: 1930 hours Adjourned 2122 hours

1930 Hours Commander Woodstrom Called the Meeting to Order

Opening Ceremony: Commander Woodstrom

Chaplain: Chaplain Brokaw

POW/MIA Empty Chair: Sgt.-at-Arms Jody Castro

Prayer: Chaplain Brokaw

Pledge of Allegiance: Commander Woodstrom
Recital of American Legion Preamble: Commander Woodstrom

Quorum: 19:34

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS and PROSPECTIVE/NEW MEMBERS:

Two speakers from the organization, Honor Flight, gave a presentation and described what their organization did, who they helped and how we could help. For more information, go to: http://www.honorflighthouston.org/.



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**

REVIEW OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (CHANGES?):

Adjutant Pizarras informed the membership that a copy of the minutes for June 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. Vice-Commander Richard Baker seconds the motion. Motion passed.

REVIEW OF MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (executive committee action items covered in new business):

 Adjutant Pizarras did not have the minutes from Executive Committee meeting readily available, but would have them at the next general meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1) Finance Report:

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

 Comrade McGuire informed the membership that a check had been stolen and that the account number and routing numbers were used to make an online



purchase that totaled over \$870. The current account has been closed and a new account has been opened. The bank informed Comrade McGuire that an investigation will take place. As for the status of the stolen \$870, it has yet to be replaced.

2) Sergeant-at-Arms:

Sgt-at-Arms Jody Castro gave his report. Thirty (30) people signed in for tonight's meeting. We had three (2) new members. The Sign-In Sheet was turned in.

3) Chaplain report:

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

- Comrade Seaton is still in the Methodist West, room 6401; anyone wanting to visit is more than welcome.
- Comrade Foland's brother, Will Foland, has stage 4 cancer.

4) Post Service Officer:

Comrade Foland reported that this would be his first month as Service Officer where he had nothing to report. Report turned in.

5) Vice Commander:

Vice Commander Baker had no report.

6) Membership:

Comrade Scoggin gave the membership report. Our membership goals for 2018 have been set for 253, the same as it was for 2017, due to not achieving the 2017 goals. At this point in the game, the Post is sitting at 298, with 112 paid for 2018, 4 new members, 2 transfers and 29 PUFL's. Report turned in.

7) Judge Advocate:

Comrade Cormier gave his report on the Post's internal review and stated that he would have recommendation to the Executive Committee by next week. No report turned in. he also made a suggestion that the Post do a Flag Collection once a quarter.

8) Boy's State:

Comrade Thomas gave his report on the Boy's State Review Brunch. Comrade Ikner read letters of appreciation written by the boys and sent to the Post.



9) Honor Guard:

Comrade DeFoor gave his report on the progress of the formation of Post Honor Guard. Turned in a report.

10) Public Relations:

Comrade Clock gave his report. The Post has had more exposure in the written media, especially with stories about our participation in the Flag Retirement ceremony and Boy's State. The Post has been mentioned in the Katy Times, The Scuttlebutt and other publications. Comrade Foland was even mentioned in The Legion Times for his 1000 hours of community service at the Katy VA Clinic. No report turned in.

11)Oratorical:

Comrade Clock has volunteered to Chair the Oratorical committee. The plan is to schedule the competition for the second week in December.

12)JROTC

Comrade McGuire has volunteered to Chair this committee. He is in the process of contacting the existing JROTC at Mayde Creek High School in order to discern information and possibility of forming other JROTC units at other schools. No report turned in.

13) Boy Scouts:

Comrade Brent Scott has volunteered to Chair this committee. As of yet, plans and ideas are still in formation. No report turned in.

INITIATIONS OF NEW MEMBERS:

Comrade Scoggin had no new members for Initiation.



UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1) Post Directory

Commander Woodstrom is still working on it, so as of yet, it is still not up on the website

Listing on the website directory is strictly voluntary.

2) Honor Guard

Comrade DeFoor is still looking for more volunteers, but he does have a complement of 12 members on the team.

Comrade moved for the following:

1 – Comrade DeFoor moved that the Post provide and supply uniforms for the members volunteering for the Honor Guard. Approximate cost would be \$100 per member. Vice-Commander Richard "Doug" Baker seconded the motion. Motion Passed

Discussion: How many members will the Post provide for? The team will consist of 12 members.

Amendment 1: Comrade Ikner moved to wait placing the order for uniforms until a 20 member roster has been achieved. Chaplain Brokaw seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Amendment 2: Commander Woodstrom moved that the Post only purchase what the team member needs. Comrade Ikner seconded by the motion. Motion passed.

Amendment 3: Chaplain Brokaw moved that the Post set a budget line item. Comrade McGuire seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

2 – Comrade DeFoor moved that the Post purchase all necessary flags for the Honor Guard team, to include the following: U.S., Texas, Army, Air Force, Marine, Navy and Coast Guard. Total cost still to be determined. Comrade Cormier seconded the motion. Motion passed.



3 – Comrade DeFoor moved that the Post purchase accessory items for the flags such as poles, cases, pole toppers, etc. Total cost still to be determined. Comrade Franke seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Amendment 1: Comrade Cormier that the Post only purchase what is needed. Comrade Franke seconded the motion. Motion passed.

- 4 Comrade DeFoor moved that the Post purchase flag stands. The motion was tabled. The notion that someone from the Post may be able to build the flag stands.
- 5 Comrade DeFoor moved that the Post purchase a bugle and insert for the Honor Guard team. Cost would be approximately \$600. Comrade Ikner seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- 6 Comrade DeFoor moved that the Post purchase a gun cabinet for rifles to be used by the Honor Guard. Approximate cost of gun cabinet would be \$100. Cost of rifles is free. Comrade Doug Baker seconded the motion. Motion passes.

3) ALEI (American Legion Extension Institute)

Session will be held at Post 490 on July 29th 2017 at 1000 hours. One member from the Post is attending and would like to know if anyone else is going so that a carpool can be started.

4) CB&L

Revision has been approved by department.

NEW BUSINESS, CORRESPONDANCE and ANNOUNCEMENTS

1) The Post Auxiliary Unit 164

The Unit has asked that their Initiation and Installation of Unit and Officers to be conducted at the next Post general meeting. Adjutant Pizarras moved that we approve their request. Chaplain Brokaw seconded the motion. Motion passed.



2) Committees

a) Training

Commander Woodstrom will take lead. Asking for members to participate. Stated that awards will be given to those that do

b) Honor Guard

Comrade DeFoor will take lead. Discussion and proposals were discussed earlier in the meeting.

c) Fire Fighter & EMT Awards

Comrade Thomas will take lead. Thanks for his assistance.

d) School Award Medals

No volunteers. This committee will be stricken for the 2018 membership year.

e) Military Commitment Awards

No volunteers. This committee will be stricken for the 2018 membership year.

3) Rice Harvest

Comrade Klekar will email samples of the tickets to be sold to Commander Woodstrom.

Commander Woodstrom illustrated his suggestions for raffles items. Items attached.

 Commander Woodstrom moved that 500 tickets be printed. Comrade Harper seconded the motion. Motion passed.

4) Sponsorship Program

Committee needs to be formed.

Commander Woodstrom suggested that Comrade McGuire "button hole" a couple of members to assist.

5) Executive Committee Meeting

To be held August 18, 2017 and anyone interested is welcome to attend.

6) S.A.L. – Sons of the American Legion

Meeting to on August 18, 2017. Any and all interested are welcome to attend.

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Chaplain Brokaw will the newsletter editor.



Closing Ceremony:

Closing Prayer:

Commander Woodstrom

Chaplain Brokaw

Meeting adjourned at 2122 hours

Adjutant Jeff Pizarras

ATTACHMENTS

The American Legion, Jonathan D. Rozier Post 164, Katy, TX 2017 Raffle Prizes

Remington Model 870 Express Synthetic Stock 12-Gauge Shotgun





Benchmade Infidel
Open Assist Knife