

The American Legion Post 164

Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting on September 07, 2021

Meeting called to order by Commander McGuire at 7:30pm

Invocation by Post Chaplain

Minutes of last Executive Committee meeting (8-11-2021) were read.

Committee Reports;

Membership – Commander asked all present to review the sponsorship program packets. This packet will be used for show and tell at any recruiting events.

Welcome Packet – Sergeant at Arms; We have 9 packets for new members.

Sons of The American Legion; Not here

Junior Shooting; We are contacting the instructors and reviewing the lesson plans together at our meeting and also checking to see if background checks are completed.

Legion Riders; Not here.

Finance Officer; We have \$8,056 in the bank. The Finance Officer was called by our local V A Clinic to see if we can raise money for gas cards for Veterans who were displaced by the storm in Louisiana so they can travel back to their home. A motion was made by Peter Batura to shift funds of \$300 dollars from school supplies event, due to office depot being out of their inventory, motion 2nd by Tracey McDonald, no discussion, motion passed.

Bingo; There is currently a delay due to their building construction electrical wiring.

Training Officer; Schedule is up to date until December. September is POW/MIA remembrance.

Newsletter; Would like to see some articles on local WW2 Veterans for publishing.

Boys State; 2021 year is over, will start on class of 2022 in September or October.

Oratorical; Will contact local schools by October.

Graves Registration; Will get a list of Veterans soon.

Flag Retirement and Collection; Retirement will be scheduled for November 13th behind ELKS Lodge.

Honor Guard; 5 Funerals and 1 Flag Ceremony for 78 service hours.

Baseball; No team to sponsor this year.

Board of Trustees; Not here, excused

Public Relations; Not here.

Unfinished Business;

None at this time.

New Business;

Breakfast with a Veteran is scheduled for October 2nd from 7 to 10am

Next Membership Meeting is on September 21st 2021 at 7:30pm

Next Executive Committee Meeting is on October 05th 2021 at 7:00pm

Membership Committee needs to meet sometime soon to pre-plan on how to do a better Buddy Check on our members. Ask about their well being, and if there is anything they need from us.

The Veterans Picnic is scheduled for September 11, 2021 at VFW Park.

Riders need to download from Department web site resolution 5 and read it.

A Financial Audit was conducted by our Judge Advocate. Results available soon.

When will our Junior Shooting program get started, are instructors ready to teach.

Veterans Picnic is on September 11th at VFW Park , we will have several booths that need to be set-up and have literature with applications available. Volunteers will be at Post 164 by 10am on September 11th

Rice Festival Parade and Veterans Breakfast is on October 2nd, will need to know who will be at each.

Rice Festival is on October 9th & 10th We will need 2 tents set-up and other equipment transported.

Safety Festival is on October 16th More information available soon.

Veterans Transition Coalition is on October 23rd in Houston, TX

Trunk or Treat is on October 30th at Post 164

Veterans Day is on November 11th will need poppies to distribute at potential flag collection locations.

Flag Retirement is on November 13th Behind ELKS Lodge.

Thanksgiving Day is on November 25th

Oratorical Contest scheduled for December 11th at Post 164

First Responders Banquet is scheduled for December 4th

Wreaths Across America event is scheduled for December 18th

Harry Woodstrom spoke about the need for a replacement motor for the gate opener and it will cost about \$300 dollars. Peter Batura motioned that we use the money set aside for the baseball team to be used for this replacement motor, motion 2nd by Forrest Croom, no discussion, motion passed.

Wally Klekar asked if we, The Post, will be interested in selling fireworks for New Years celebrations. A discussion followed but no decision was made.

If no further business, Post Chaplain will offer a closing prayer.

Executive Committee adjourned at 8:55pm

William Kennison
Adjutant

James McGuire
Commander