The American Legion Post 164

Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting on March 4, 2025

- 1. Executive Committee Meeting called to order by Commander Krum at 7:00pm Some members were on zoom, others were at Post 164
- 2. Invocation by; Post Chaplain
- 3. Roll Call; Excused was Assistant Service Officer and Assistant Sergeant at Arms
- 4. Minutes of last Executive Committee meeting (2-04-2025) were posted on the Post Website and approved at the last Membership meeting.
- 5. Committee Reports (using new template) Limited to 2 minutes each.
- a. Auxiliary; Our Girls State program is June 15-21 2025 and we have 33 students committed to attend. We are making poppies for Memorial Day events. We are partnering with the Post to prepare for the District 22 Convention on April 12^{th}
- b. Sons of American Legion; We had our monthly dinner on February 28^{th} we served 22 people and raised \$220 dollars. Our 50/50 raffle winner was Linda Malsbary who donated the winnings to our Squadron.
- c. Board of Trustees; Our meeting was on February 24th at 6pm The A/C replacement is now complete. The upper wall in the equipment was completely repainted. Elevator maintenance was completed. Bay clean-up will be on March 8th The coffee maker in the downstairs break room needs to be serviced. Brent Scott has completed most of the repairs that are mentioned.
- d. First Vice Commander; We are at 91.73% of our membership goal of 375. Looking for creative ideas to improve Meeting attendance. Still contacting Members to renew their dues on time. Getting new members ready for the induction ceremony.
- e. Second Vice Commander; Finalizing details for American Legion Birthday at our Post
- f. Finance; We have \$26,399 dollars in the bank. This report is available for review.
- g. Judge Advocate; No Report
- h. Chaplain; No Report
- i. Service Officer; Assisted 2 Veterans with forms to claim Medical benefits at VA Clinic
- j. Oratorical: No Report
- k. Boys State; Interviews have started at High Schools.
- l. Honor Guard; 5 Funerals and 2 Flag Functions for 165 Service Hours.
- m. Riders; A ride is planned for March 29th will probably meet at buckees,
- n. JSSP; Will start on March 23rd with about 5 shooters scheduled.

- o. Scouts; No Report, not here
- p. Bingo; No Report, not here
- q. Veterans Support Group; We meet on Tuesdays and in February had 4 meetings for a total of 33 Veterans who attended.
- r. Headstone for Hero's; No Report, not here
- s. Others; Historian; Blue Prints for USS American Legion are framed and mounted for viewing upstairs in the recreation room.
- 6. Unfinished Business;
- a. American Legion Birthday Party is here on March 15th at a cost of \$20 a person.
- b. A Donation was presented to WMCA for playground equipment. They allowed us to use their building while our Post was closed by Fire Marshall.
- c. A Donation was presented to sponsor the West Memorial Swim Team
- d. Marine Corp League, They will meet at our building
- 7. New Business
- a. Newsletter deadline is one week prior to Membership Meeting.
- 1. Suggested articles are?
- 2. Upcoming Events/Previous Events with photos.
- b. Headstones for Hero's ad costs?
- 1. Katy Times
- 2. Houston Chronicle
- c. Legion Times Articles; Get them submitted to Department for publication.
- d. Review the Post Calendar for events in and around our community.
- e. Post Officer Elections; Scheduled for April Membership Meeting.
- f. Freedom Fest at VFW is on March 22nd from 11am to about 2pm
- g. Be The One Training; Sign up at betheone.org
- h. District 22 Spring Convention is at Post 164 on April 12th
- 1. Building spruce up is on March 8th from 8 to 4 all are welcome to help.
- 2. Volunteers needed to help set up Post Building on April 11^{th}
- 3. Volunteers needed to help with serving and other special needs during the Convention.
- 4. Volunteers needed to help restore the building to original layout after Convention.
- i. Poppies to Senior Centers; Unit 164 is asking for volunteers to help with distribution to these locations from our Post Members.
- j. Anything else;
- 1. Harry Woodstrom Motioned for the Post to provide 2 \$250 dollar scholarships to each of the 3 High School JROTC programs in our area. Motion was 2^{nd} by Butch Sparks. No discussion, Motion passed.

- 2. Phill Yates was contacted by the Chaplain at Fort Bend County Jail asking for Military related magazines that can be donated.
- 3. Rory Hoffman Motioned for the Post to donate \$100 dollars to a Veteran Motorcyclist who is riding for Veterans Suicide Prevention. Motion was 2nd by Harry Woodstrom. No discussion, Motion passed.
- 4. Butch Sparks sent our Post 164 newsletter to Department Commander and 2^{nd} Division Commander and 22^{nd} District Commander to show them what a great newsletter should look like.
- 8. Upcoming Events; (not already covered)
- 9. If no further business, Post Chaplain will offer a closing prayer.

Executive Committee adjourned at 7:48 pm

William Kennison Adjutant Sandy Krum Commander