The American Legion Post 164

Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting on June 03, 2025

- 1. Executive Committee Meeting called to order by Commander Krum at 7:00pm Some members were on zoom, (see link) others were at Post 164
- 2. Invocation by; Chaplain
- 3. Roll Call; Missing was; 1st Vice Commander, Excused, Service Officer, Excused & Assistant Service Officer, Excused.
- 4. Minutes of last Executive Committee meeting (5-06-2025) were read and accepted at the last Membership meeting.
- 5. Committee Reports (using new template) Limited to 2 minutes each.
- a. Auxiliary; The Auxiliary handed out over 2,500 poppies for Memorial Day at our 4 locations. Thanks to everyone who volunteered at these locations. Soldiers Rest Ceremony was held on May 26th at 11am and Major General (ret) Richard Noriega was the guest Speaker. Our Auxiliary Unit Membership is at 101.32 percent and 77 Members.
- b. Sons of American Legion; Our election of Squadron Officers was on May $1^{\rm st}$ and will be installed on June $17^{\rm th}$ Our SAL Members assisted with Poppy Distribution on May26th Our next monthly dinner at Post 164 will be on June $27^{\rm th}$ from 6 to 8 and a 50/50 raffle.
- c. Board of Trustees; Our monthly meeting was on May 28th and there was not enough present to establish a Quorum. Some items discussed were the elevator maintenance, the downstairs coffee maker needing parts, and typical Post cleanliness.
- d. First Vice Commander; Not here, excused, but we are at 101.33% of our goal,
- e. Second Vice Commander; No Report, see you all at breakfast on June 7th
- f. Finance; We have \$17,429 dollars in the bank. This report is always available.
- g. Judge Advocate; No Report
- h. Chaplain; No Report
- i. Service Officer; Not here, excused
- j. Oratorical: No Report
- k. Boys State; No Report, but Boys State Bus will leave Post 164 this Sunday morning.
- l. Honor Guard; 8 Funerals and 3 Flag Functions for 224 Service Hours. (May)
- m. Riders; New Officers were elected and more rides are being planned.
- n. JSSP; No Report, but we are finished for this session.
- o. Scouts; Not here
- p. Bingo; Not here
- q. Veterans Support Group; We have moved the meeting back to Monday at 1pm
- r. Headstone for Hero's; Several people contacted us with information about Veterans that were missing a headstone at their family grave site.
- s. Others: None at this time.

- 6. Unfinished Business:
- a. Be The One training (betheone.org) This is required for all Post Officers?
- b. Post Training Committee See Commander after Meeting to volunteer, we need this.
- c. Open Officer Positions; We still need a 2^{nd} Vice Commander and Historian.

7. New Business

- a. Proposed Budget for next year; Finance Officer gave a detailed briefing on next year's budget and it will be voted on at the next Membership Meeting.
- b. Be The One, as a Community event; Commander opened the discussion as what should we do. A community walk, or an Open House at Post HQ or you tell me what ideas?
- c. VFW Vet-Trepreneur Market on August $30^{\rm th}\,$ This was discussed but at this time of year there are many other events to be considered. Tabled for a future Membership meeting .
- d. Fireworks Stand end of June to early July; Commander asked all members of Executive Committee and Board of Trustees to volunteer for at least 2 shifts. We will need help to set up the booth, work the booth during the days it is open, and help to tear it down and pack up everything. A sign-up sheet will be available soon for all to volunteer for your favorite time of day or night.
- e. Event Participation Incentives; This was discussed by Commander to generate ideas to reward the members who volunteered their time to make our Post the greatest.
- f. Community Hero's Parade on June 14th This was a rescheduled date and the Post was already committed for Flag Day at Elks Lodge on June $14^{\rm th}$
- g. Department Convention on July 8th to 13th in Austin Delegates will be determined at the next Post Membership meeting and we have already 5 members who say they will go, must be decided at the Post meeting. More details available at meeting.
- h. PTSD Awareness Bike Ride to National Convention; This was a letter asking for a donation. Butch Sparks will get more details for a next meeting decision.
- i. Breakfast with a Veteran is on June 7^{th} at Elks lodge from 7 to 10am
- j. SAL Dinner is on June 27th at Post 164 from 6pm till about 8pm
- k. Post Game Night is every Friday night starting at 7pm till finished.
- l. Fundraising Ideas; Commander asked for ideas to raise funds for promoting community activities here Katy. Please bring ideas to next Membership Meeting.
- m. New Committee, Disaster Preparedness; This is incase our Post HQ is needed as a shelter. Mr. Ernie Cormier volunteered to be the Chairman and he will need others to get this program organized and implemented.
- n. American Legion College Will be at Post 164 on September 26th 27th and 28th from about 8am till 4pm More details will be available soon.
- o. Anything Else? Ernie Cormier reminded all present to come to Elks lodge for the Flag Day Celebration as Post 164 Honor Guard will parade the flags.

- 8. Upcoming Events; (not already covered)
- 9. If no further business, Post Chaplain will offer a closing prayer.

Executive Committee adjourned at 8:10 pm

William Kennison Adjutant Sandy Krum Commander