

American Legion Post 2007

27 August 2018 Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 1900 hrs by the Commander.

Roll of Post officers was called with all officers present except the Junior Vice.

Sgt at Arms stated we had one guest in attendance.

The minutes were read by the Adjutant. Jim Garrett motioned to accept, seconded by Bill Meister with minutes accepted by membership.

The Executive Meeting minutes were read. Carl Bales motioned to accept, seconded by Bill Martin. Minutes were voted on and approved by membership.

The Commander announced the passing of Legionnaire Charlie Woodford the previous day.

The Membership Report was given by Bill Martin, still showing at 149 current members. He stated that we still needed an additional 45 members to pay up for 2019.

Finance Report was given by Roger Homeier. Eugene Weil motioned to accept subject to audit and seconded by Carl Bales.

The Poppy Chair stated we have had 29 poppy events, using 759 poppies. We are still looking for a third poppy date for this year. There was discussion on the Honor Flight with debate on whether the organization the Post has donated to before was still in business and if we should donate to a different Honor Flight organization.

Veteran Affairs – Doug Jameson announced the annual Veterans Commission dinner would be held on October 30th at the Mascoutah Legion Hall.

Nothing for Community Patriotic Observances or Americanism.

Boy Scouts – Bill Meister stated he had 55 scouts attend for the Archeology Merit Badge at the Mounds.

Constitution and By Laws – Commander announced Carl Bales would be heading this.

Gifts to the Yanks – Les O'Neal has already contacted both area homes and the ladies involved are enthusiastic about the program.

No reports for any other program area.

A proposal was made by Doug Jameson asking members to consider applying for a position as an Election Judge or a Poll Watcher. Both are needed. Members can either go through Doug or the County Clerk's office. Les O'Neal affirmed the impact of these positions during elections.

No members reported on Sick Call.

Unfinished Business – There as discussion on whether we should put either flags or flag stickers outside the doors of veterans' rooms at the homes to recognize them. Further discussion on how to affix the flag or sticker. Someone would need to speak with someone from the homes on what they would allow.

For the Good of the Legion –

A fundraiser was announced for October 9th at McAlister's in Shiloh with 10% of the sales donated to the Legion. We were waiting on a template for the advertising.

Another push for names of Vietnam veterans for the Vietnam lapel pin.

The Commander discussed Charlie's passing and possible tentative service at Lakeview. Bill Martin said he would pass a signup sheet for those members that wished to attend and perform a ceremony. There was discussion on a possible donation to the Post in Charlie's name.

The Commander presented Bill Meister with a Past Commander pin.

Robert Thomas made a plug for the 2019 Memorial Day Parade.

No further business was proposed.

Next Executive Meeting to be held at 1830 on 24 September.

Meeting adjourned at 1950 hrs.

50/50 was won by Robert Thomas with all \$20-20 split between him and the Post.