



Charles A. Woodford
American Legion Post 2007



28 June 2021 Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 1914 hrs. by the Commander.

Roll of Post officers was called with all officers present with the exception of both Sergeant at Arms.

No guests in attendance.

May meeting minutes were read with motion to accept by Steve Duff and seconded by Bob Burrack. Minutes approved by membership.

The Membership Report was given showing the post finished the year with 162 paid members.

There Finance Officer stated there has been no activity for May and June. Steve Duff motioned to accept the finance report subject to audit. Seconded by Doug Jameson. Membership approved.

Poppies – Poppy Day scheduled for 24 July, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Greenmount Commons Lowe's.

Veteran Affairs – Still no meetings of the SCCVAC.

Community Patriotic Observances – No report.

Honor Guard – Rich Gaebel stated they needed more members to volunteer for the Honor Guard. He would like to have a team of 8 to 10 people.

Americanism – No report.

Boy Scouts – We need a better contact point at the local council so we can partner with them with scouts for Legion programs.

Constitution and By Laws – No report.

Gifts to the Yanks – The Commander stated he had a discussion at 5th Division concerning the program on the 13th. It is still in discussion, but it doesn't look like there will be anything for the posts. All money will be used for gifts for the VA hospitals. Les stated a big part of the problem is there is no one in the coordinator's position. COVID has also caused a deficit in donations.

Children and Youth – No report.

Oratorical – still no decision on what will happen next year with the program.

Boys State – Clyde Minish has agreed to continue being the POC for the program.

No reports for any other program area.

Sick Call – Steve Duff's brother is doing well after his valve replacement surgery and he was appreciative of all the thoughts and prayers. Robin visited Tom Sheeler. He was happy to have visitors, though it is apparent he is having problems with recognizing people.

The Commander stepped forward to install the new Junior Vice, Bill Martin.

Unfinished Business –

Flag Boxes – No update.

Post Auxiliary – No report.

Horseshoe Pit – No report.

Post flag – The Commander will explore replacement cost.

McAlister's Fundraiser – we are scheduled for July 20th, 5 to 8 p.m. at the Shiloh location.

Messinger Cemetery Fundraiser Event – we still need ideas and a committee chairperson.

New Business –

- Steve Duff spoke on the Wolf Branch School's Veterans' Plaza needing funds to complete the project. Steve proposed a possible \$150 donation from the post and he would personally add an additional \$100 to it. There was a discussion on whether poppy money can be used for this or not. It was decided it could be since the plaza is for veterans and poppy money is used exclusively towards veteran programs. Rich Gaebel motioned for a donation of \$300, which was amended to \$400 after a brief discussion. Motion was seconded by Doug Jameson. Membership approved. Steve Duff explained there would be a soft dedication when it was completed and school opened. The official dedication would occur on Veterans Day.

Memorial to Departed Members – No members were reported as departing.

For the Good of the Legion –

- Steve Duff spoke on how some of the words in the Legion Preamble were being attacked. In addition, paintings in the Capitol rotunda have been declared as racist. He spoke on his fear on what kind of country our children and grandchildren will have. He extolled members to go over the words of the Preamble and take its meaning to heart. The Commander then spoke on his feelings on the subject stating we need to show the country and its leaders we mean business.

50/50 Results – Won by the Commander, which he donated back to the Haven Fund.

Next Meeting to be held on 26 July with Executive Meeting at 1830 hrs.

Meeting adjourned at 2010 hrs.