

American Legion Department of Texas Brown/Guest Post 30 Paris, TX

Meeting Date: October 17, 2020

American Legion Brown/Guest met at the United Pentecostal Church at 1005 hours.

Present: See Attached List.

SGT at Arms posted the colors.

Chaplain made the opening prayer.

Commander lead members in POW/MIA ceremony.

Members recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

All members recited the Preamble of the American Legion.

The Commander opened the Post to business.

Adjutant read roll call of Officers:

Commander - present

1st Vice Commander - present

2nd Vice Commander - present

Adjutant - present

Finance Officer - present

Chaplain - present

Judge Advocate - excused

Sgt at Arms - present

Web Master - excused

Hub Master - present

Historian - present

1st Trustee - present

2nd Trustee - present

All Present except: Judge Advocate and Web Master.

Minutes stand approved/corrected.

New Members/Introduction of Guests: - Michael Covington and Dell Smith

Officer Reports and Committees:

Veterans Affairs and Service Officer, Amy Burton: see attached.

Membership and Post Activities, Wyndell Ferguson: see attached.

Budget and Finance, Rick Leonhardt:

Americanism, Wyndell Ferguson: see attached.

Fundraising, Ronnie Morton: fundraising amount - members still have tickets and

approximately 500 more to sell.

Balloting on Applications: 5 new memberships awarded at the RRVF and 1 new application.



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Sick call, Relief, and employment by the Chaplain: Keith Brown's spouse is in remission but having complications from chemo and Wyndell Ferguson will be getting a pacemaker.

Unfinished Business: - Storage unit Post shared with VFW needs to be located and request a receipt from VFW.

Contact needed regarding the Legend Nursing Home veterans adopted by the post. Post members to send letters, cards, etc.

Initiation of Candidates:

Correspondence by the Adjutant:

New Business: Ronnie Morton motioned to buy an ad in the newspaper for fundraiser. Ora Miles 2nd. Motion passed by unanimous vote. Ronnie Morton, Rick Leonhardt, and Ora Miles offered to donate \$50 each.

Commander, Wyndell Ferguson put to the floor for the following offices to be filled: Ora Miles as Adjutant, Eddie Hill as Sgt at Arms, Charles Miles as Historian, and new Chaplain next meeting, BK Moody. Rick Leonhardt motioned for post to accept these officer positions, Amy Burton 2nd. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Commander put to the floor that committees to remain the same until next election unless the chairperson wants to change or withdraw. Amy Burton motioned that committees remain the same. Bill Townsend 2nd. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Amy Burton motioned that the post purchase 2000 poppies for Veterans Day. Ronnie Morton amended the motion to 2500 poppies. Bill Townsend 2nd. Motion passed by unanimous vote. Rick Leonhardt motioned the post purchase 2000 flags for veteran's graves and to give God Bless our veteran bumper stickers with the poppies. Ronnie Morton 2nd. Motion passed by unanimous vote.



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Ronnie Morton motioned that the post purchase cleaning supplies for veteran cemeteries. Rick Leonhardt 2nd. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Good of the Legion: New website called Training Tuesdays.

Buddy checks are for member health and welfare. Cannot discuss any post business or fundraising during buddy checks.

No American Legion clothing can be worn at political rally's or anywhere that is not American Legion business.

Community programs post may pursue – police, firemen, EMT's, or dispatch of the year, outstanding national guard.

100 Miles for Hope Walk can register on website.

Need recruiting tools for service officer to display.

Flag day – American Legion and Boy scouts to be contacted by Amy Burton.

Toys for Tots and news programs at Christmas dinner.

Celebration Station serving hamburgers for veterans every 3rd Saturday.

Rick Leonhardt stated the Elks Lodge may be open next month. Ronnie Morton stated he would get a microphone if the next meeting is still held at the church.

Closing Ceremony: Closing prayer given by Chaplain.

Next meeting date: November 21, 2020

There being no further business, the Commander adjourned the meeting at 1140 hours.

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