

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

Meeting Date:

American Legion Brown/Guest Post 30 met at the Elks Lodge Paris, TX at 1000 hours.

Present: see attached list.

Sergeant at Arms posted Colors.

Chaplain made opening prayer.

Members recited 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	Χ	Vice Commander	excused
Adjutant	Χ	Finance Officer	X
Chaplin	Χ	Judge Advocate	Out of town
Service Officer	Χ	Sgt at Arms	X
Webmaster	excused	Historian	X
Trustee 1	Χ	Trustee 2	X

A quorum is present.

Previous Executive Board Minutes & Previous Post Meetings minutes read and stand approved. (as amended)

Introduction of Guests/Prospects & New Members:

- Timothy Buttz, applicant
- William Madewell, applicant
- Alan Lane, applicant

New Applicants:

- Applicants were introduced and asked to tell a little about themselves.
 - o Timothy Buttz, applicant
 - William Madewell, applicant
 - Alan Lane, applicant

Report of Officer's & Committees:

- Americanism Committee: none
- Membership & Post Activities: Reminder or Red River Valley Fair and need volunteers.
- Budget & Financial Report: see attached
- Ways & Means Committee: none

- Veterans Affairs & Service Officer: Service Officer gave update on veterans assisted. See attached
- Media & Communications Committee: none
- Selection Committee: none
- Balloting on Applicants:
 - o Timothy Buttz, Approved
 - William Madewell, Approved
 - Alan Lane, Approved

Sick Call, Relief and employment by Chaplain: George Henke is in PRMC, Kelly Collins still in therapy, Wife of member Arron Honsinger is ill and in need of prayers.

Unfinished Business?

- Memorial Wreath and Charter Easel Stand approved at Sept meeting have been received.
- Scholarship application was verified and per conditional approval at Sep General Meeting check was sent to university.
- Red River Valley Fair:
 - There were 10 names placed in the drawing for 5 free 1-year memberships. Winners have been contacted.
 - Update on fundraising efforts sent to all board members and will be discussed again at General Meeting.
- Budget is still being worked on. Meeting scheduled for 14 Oct.

Initiation of Candidates. Commander led initiation of Timothy Buttz, William Madewell, and Alan Lane. New members presented with Welcome Kit.

Correspondence by the Adjutant: none

New Business?

- Nov 6th Veterans Day service at the Red River Valley Memorial, all Vet organizations have a table reserved.
 - o Adjutant presented a signup sheet for volunteers.
- Decided to have a Scholarship and Donation policy review and determine if changes are needed.
 - Date not yet determined.
- Discussed Christmas Banquet location and type of menu. Suggestions were solicited from membership to be sent to Commander, Vice Commander or Adjutant.

- Adjutant requested a motion to approve purchasing 200 birthday cards. Motion made by Amy Burton, Seconded by Mike Covington, passed unanimously.
- For Info Only: Department has posted a new recommended Constitution and By Laws. Executive Board is reviewing and putting together proposed and required updates.
- Buddy Checks need to be made in November. Post reminded to not discuss membership, fund raising etc. Calls are to check on members and see if they need assistance.
- Adjutant presented the changes in Charitable Raffle Enabling Act that went into effect 15 Jun 2021 HB2757). See attached for all details.

Good of the Legion?

- Reminder of documenting volunteer hours.
- Reminder of mid-term elections and importance of voting
- Reminder of raffle for 57 Chevy to Benefit Red River Valley Veterans Memorial.

Closing prayer was given by Chaplain. There being no further business Sgt of Arms retired colors.

Commander adjourned the meeting at: 1100 Next meeting will be: 19 Nov 2022.

Wyndell Ferguson Adjutant

Bill Townsend Commander