

AMERICAN LEGION PALM VALLEY POST 233

General Membership Meeting Minutes

February 4, 2016

Meeting was called to order at 1909 hours by Commander Sonny Kirkwood

Opening prayer by Commander Kirkwood, Placement of POW-MIA chair cover by SAA Mathis

1st Vice Durnal lead the pledge of allegiance.

Commander lead the recitation of the Preamble to the Congressional Charter

Roll call 11 members and 2 guests present. Quorum determined.

Report of sick and distressed. Commander visited Wilbur Burnett at his home. He is on oxygen and is very frail. Wilbur appreciates the post bringing him meals from time to time. Bill Marshall is battling cancer. Keep these members in our prayers.

Minutes from January meeting were read and motion made, second, and passed to accept minutes as read

1st Vice CDR /Adjutant Durnal read in 4 new memberships and 4 transfers in. Motion made, 2nd, passed to accept new members and transfers

Auxiliary reports.

ALA member Church gave the ALA report

SAL Commander gave SAL report. SAL membership is 83.02

ALR Member Church gave ALR report.

MIAP state representative gave MIAP report. Next service in south Florida April 9th.

Committee reports.

Boys State- two boys will be sponsored from post 233.

Entertainment- under budget looking for more.

Newsletter- No February letter- no inputs. Will combined the February and March.

Correspondence- none

Unfinished business- none

New Business

Commander Kirkwood stated he has assumed the duties as finance officer until a new finance officer can be elected.

Commander Kirkwood gave finance reports for December and January. Motion made, second, and passed to accept the finance reports.

Thanked Legionnaire Veber for a donation of \$1480 which was proceeds from the Sunday football events he sponsored throughout the season.

5th District meeting will be held at the post on Sunday. Also on Sunday the post will celebrate our 45th birthday with a sheet cake. SAA Mathis has some donations for the cake and asked if anyone else wanted to donate.

Commander Kirkwood stated that the past two years of finance reports are not accurate. The commander and Jim Bernadt CPA, are reviewing the reports for discrepancies. Bottom line we are moving forward with new Quickbook accounting software.

HC report Chairman Mathis gave report. Trivia as currently run will be discontinued on February 9th. 2nd vice Severson looking into how we can do this in house. Approved by Executive board

Move monthly meetings from Thursday to Monday. Approved by Executive board

SAL to start bingo on March 3rd. approved by Executive board

Maintenance issued addressed

Adjutant read items from Executive board that need to be voted on.

Motion made by SAA Mathis, second by Legionnaire Veber, and passed to move meetings from Thursday to Monday and make appropriate bylaws changes.

Motion mad, second, and passed to discontinue trivia as of Monday February 9th and start bingo on March 3rd

An issue was addressed about canteen staying open with less than 3 patrons at the bar after 9pm during the week. This was given to the CM to enforce existing rules and give further guidance to the bartenders.

Officer reports

1st vice report - membership last report from Department showed 94.63% with tonight's new and transferred members we are actually at 98%. Still many members have not renewed their membership for 2016.

2nd vice report- need events and volunteers

3rd vice report- Super Bowl – Boggies might donate some wings for super bowl. Bob to do Pea soup, another member will do chili. Also need to advertise

4th vice- no report

SAA/HCC - need to project planning out a couple of months in advance.

SAL planning spring fling with 3 bands.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, Commander Kirkwood gave closing prayer and closed the meeting in due form. SAA Mathis retired the POW-MIA chair cover.

Meeting Adjourned at 1953 hours

Respectfully submitted

James Durnal, 1st Vice CDR/Adjutant

Approved and accepted

Sonny Kirkwood, Commander