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*“Transparency through better communication”*

**General Meeting Minutes**

**June 19, 2019**

- Meeting called to order Commander Caroline Merillat, 18:00. (Audio recording available)
- Meeting room secured.
- Salute to Colors
- Prayer by Commander
- Report of sick and distressed members
- Attendance, see sign-in sheet.

**1) Minutes provided to all members present, no corrections/omissions. Motion to accept, seconded, and approved as written.**

**2) Correspondence: None**

**3) Financial Report:**

- a) Provided by Jason Odom and posted.
  - i) There were a few questions that were answered except the concerns with the discrepancies with SAL balance, reporting of all accounts/lack of financial report, and Post’s Financial Officer is not on all accounts. It was identified that the missing balance was from the charity account, and the post will mandate per American Legion national constitution that a complete SAL’s financial status must be reported to the EB on a monthly basis. There was a motion made to have SAL Financial Officer and SAL Commander to explain the discrepancies noted it was seconded and approved
  - ii) A motion was made to accept the finance report as written, subject for audit, seconded, and approved.

**4) Membership: Torsak updated**

- a) We finished at 83%, the committee agreed to accept the 2018-2019 membership as reported to reflect an accurate current membership number.
- b) 4 new members: Kevin Hanson, Rick Therrline, Francis Demasi, and Joseph Kearns. Motion made to accept, seconded, and approved.

**5) Communications:**

- a) Entity Report:
  - i) ALA report provided by Celeste Sheble, ALA President, see report for details.
  - ii) SAL, reports by Sonny Kirkwood, see report for details.
  - iii) ALR reports by Kath Church, verbal report provided, no written report.
- b) Social media, no report.

- c) Past Commander's Club.
  - i) Roy Havekost updated slow progress is being made, the tickets for sale "52 guns and 52 weeks" raffle to raise money for the Post.
    - (1) Cited lack of participation and collaboration.
    - (2) Decision to continue the initiative is on hold until next meeting.
- d) Roy Havekost, Judge Advocate, no update.
- e) House report, Chip Robinson, House Chair not present, no report.

**6) Old Business:**

- a) Post's Well Water system needs a city permit or connection to city water. Pending Local Department of Environmental Protection report of Well requirements, but we need to research this conversion from well to city water, or to upgrade well to city's specification for public use.
- b) Woodstock 50<sup>th</sup> year anniversary event. Cancelled at this time, TBD if reschedule?
- c) Main AC unit needs repair. Alan Straw reports.
  - i) Made 3 calls for cost estimate, 2 estimates were obtained that seemed contradictory so a third will be requested.
- d) SAL - the repair to the Men's bathroom urinal. Pending
- e) Kathy Church, presented the ALA Honor/Memorial Plaques initiative.
  - i) Mr. Mike Smith had volunteered his service to build the board.
  - ii) Location to display the board discussion was tabled. In the meantime, place it on the easel. Motion made, seconded, and approved. Display pending incomplete/missing names (4) to the board.
  - iii) A discussion needs to happen with the ALA regarding proceeds since it was established as a partnership between the ALA and Pavilion Project.
- g. The past commanders display wall conversion to electronic display is near ready for implementation pending a few technical issues.

**7) New Business: None**

Nothing further for the good of the post.  
Meeting adjourned, 20:05

Very Respectfully,

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Post Adjutant