

General Membership Meeting Minutes February 7, 2024

Meeting was called to order by Commander Albert Mireles Jr at 6:30 P.M. The standard opening ceremony was conducted.

Adjutant Allen lott called the roll of Officers and Executive Committee members. Called for a quorum were:

Post Officers:

1. Commander, Albert Mireles Jr Present 2. 1st Vice Commander, Pat Farrell Present 3. 2nd Vice Commander Michael Knott Present 4. Judge Advocate, Ricardo Munoz Present 5. Adjutant, Allen G. lott Present 6. Finance Officer, Carlos Mendez Present 7. Service Officer, Eddie Tello Absent 8. Historian, Dan Almendarez Present 9. Sgt-At-Arms, Todd Griffin Present 10. Asst Sgt-At-Arms, Daniel Rodriguez Absent 11. Chaplain, Yehoshua Huerta Present

Post Executive Committee Members:

| 1. | Carlos Salazar | Present |
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| 2. | Al Anderson | Absent |
| 3. | Hermlinda Zavala | Absent |
| 4. | Debra Sackett | Absent |
| 5. | Andrea Ortiz | Absent |

Quorum was present to conduct business.

General Membership minutes and Executive Committee minutes were handed out to the membership present prior to the meeting. Motion was presented by Todd Griffin and seconded by Raul Buentello to approve minutes. Motion was voted upon and passed.

The following members were voted in as New Members: Richard M. Pedroza (USA/Vietnam); Joshua D. Saunders (USN/USA/Other conflicts) and the following Post transfers: Francisco Juarez, TX Post 345, Anthony Moreno, TX Post 345 and Marshall Hebert TX Post 579 and Joel Ortega, TX Post 667. Motion by Allen lott and seconded by Todd Griffin to accept the new members into Alamo Post 2. Motion passed.

The following guests were present at the meeting: Juan Ramirez, Navy and Francisco Moran, Army.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

First Vice Commander reported that the Post is very close to 90% of the goal.

Second Vice Commander reported that he was in contact with Central Catholic who had 10 boys for Boys State.

Finance Officer reported the balance in the General fund is \$13829.11 and the building fund of \$5,355.88 of 7 February 2024.

He also stated that a grant was submitted to Security Service Charitable organization for \$3,500.00 to fund Boys State.

He also invited anyone who wanted to look over the books to just make an appointment.

Motion presented by Carlos Mendez and seconded by Todd Griffin to approve the financial report pending an audit/review. Motion was voted on and passed.

Adjutant reported that the 20th District will be sponsoring a District Revitalization on 2 March 2024 from 1100 to 1400.

Chaplain: Irene Rodriguez, Annie lott, Albert, and Dee Mireles are sick.

Judge Advocate No report.

Post Service Officer: No report.

Historian No report

Standing Committees:

Building and House Committee Chairman: Lights throughout the Post were replaced through a grant from CPS at no cost to the Post. Construction of the roof at the front of the building over the two front offices was completed at a cost of \$15,000.00.

Carlos and Lisa Salazar are the kitchen managers. They cleaned the back storeroom and the kitchen such that the city inspected and gave the kitchen 100% A rating.

The next project is the floor in the ballroom to be replaced for free but for cost of material. Winter freeze caused two outside faucets to blow. 3 water heaters were repaired/replaced and there is now hot water throughout the Post.

Currently have two bids on the parking lot and are waiting for a third bid.

Budget and Finance Committee Chairman No report

Color Guard No Report

Scouting: Reported that Packs 2 and 132 will be holding the Second annual pinewood derby on Saturday 17 February from 1000 to 1400.

The scout outing by Troop 262 from Flower Mound, TX on 13 January was a success.

Sons of the American Legion (SAL): There will be a meeting on the last Tuesday of the month in February.

Legion Rider Chairman reported that the ALR are meeting on the third Tuesday of each month.

Public Affairs/Hubmaster Committee Chairman No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Looking at resurrecting an old fundraiser brick buying to be laid in the center grass area near the guns and flag poles.

Bingo license was approved and issued to Eisenhauer Bingo Hall near the flea market between old Austin highway and I-35. The hours are on Friday 0930-1230 and 1230-1630.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Todd Griffin and seconded by Pat Farrell to raise the Post dues from \$40.00 to \$45.00 for the membership year 2025 effective 1 July 2024. Motion passed.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE LEGION

Adjutant Allen lott reported that the National Commander spoke at the January mid-winter conference. He stated that The American Legion is a family . organization that is changing lives through our programs and saving lives by welcoming veterans and helping those hurt. Be the One!

Auxiliary will be hosting Ransomed life on sexploitation on Saturday 2 March from 100-1100.

The 5th annual Boots, Jeans and hat dance will be on 17th February where the Lotto scratchers will be raffled along with 20 other prizes.

Fish Fry restarts on 16 February 2024with addition to the menu is country-fried steak sandwich.

Superbowl party on 11 February along with tardeada Superbowl watch party. Burger and sausage wraps will be available on Wednesdays during karaoke.

Pat Farrell's 92nd birthday party will be hard on 4 March from 1400-1800.

Reminder that May elections are around the corner. Anyone wishing to run for an office, see the Judge Advocate.

Reminder to all members of the Post of what the Four Pillars and programs of the American Legion are about. The Post is not a bar or dance hall. We need these activities to fund these programs. Remember who we are and the mission.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the Chaplain offered the closing prayer. The meeting was adjourned by the Commander at 1933 hours.

Prepared by:

Allen lott Alamo Post 2 Adjutant