

AMERICAN LEGION POST 318

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

November 28, 2018 (Pending Approval)

The Executive Committee Meeting was called to order at approximately 7:00 PM at Post 318, by Commander Don Bishop.

Matters addressed at the Executive Committee Meeting were:

ROLL CALL OF POST OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

Adjutant Dan Wolfangel conducted roll call. Present were: Post Officers: Commander Don Bishop; 1st Vice Commander Bob Kamman; 2nd Vice Commander Randy Lindsey; Adjutant Dan Wolfangel; Finance Officer Ron Yersky; SAA Ralph Caskey; Chaplain Jerry Porter; Service Officer Charles Cleves; and Committee Chairs: Ed Sears (Bingo); Bob Alfieri (House) and Ken Knight (Event Coordination), which constituted the required quorum.

Absent were the currently vacant Committee Chair positions of: Americanism; Community Support; and Fund-raising.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: Adjutant Wolfangel, noted that the E.C. Meeting Minutes from the October 24, 2018 meeting had been reduced to print and previously distributed to E.C. members, and have also been posted in E.C. Minutes binder in clubroom. They were also submitted for inclusion on Post web-site. ***A motion (Dan Wolfangel) to accept the meeting's minutes, as printed, was seconded (Ron Yersky), and was passed unanimously.***

POST EVENT CALENDAR REVIEW:

Commander Bishop reminded that all should have the on-line calendar for December and January updated for upcoming activities in their respective area of responsibility.

GUEST PRESENTATION: Commander Bishop suspended the normal order of business to permit a presentation by Novation Networks representative Daniel Tintera, who was accompanied by Joe Wood. The presentation referenced an opportunity for Post 318 to participate in a program relative to Veteran Service Organizations (VSO), by becoming a Certified Veteran Outreach Center, enhancing training opportunities for veterans through the Warriors for Wireless Program. Summary of benefit to Post 318 is:

- Free satellite TV service for three years;
- Post compensated for hall rental fees during veteran training sessions held at Post 318;
- \$1,000 Community Service Donation to Post 318;
- Qualified veterans who train at Post 318 will be offered a one-year free membership in Post 318 (paid for by Novation).

Following presentation and question and Q & A by E.C., ***a motion (Don Bishop) was made to enter into a Teaming Agreement with Novation Networks for Post 318 to become a participant. Motion was seconded (Bob Kamman), and passed unanimously.*** Installation of satellite TV equipment will be coordinated through House Chair Alfieri.

Commander Bishop returned to normal order of business.

CORRESPONDENCE / ADJUTANT ITEMS:

Adjutant Wolfangel noted the following items:

New Correspondence (since last meeting):

- Suggestion for Addition to Post Website Links – (Mometrix – Testing for Individuals considering joining military): No action taken per practice of not listing commercial site links.
- Notice from Legion Reference Post Member Christopher Beaucham's Application for PUFL: No action required.

- Contribution Request from Memorial Day Foundation's "Holiday Wreath Program" **E.C. recommended \$25 contribution based upon approved allocation of funds within C.I. Budget.** Adjutant to notify C.I. Treasurer – Walt Geil.
- Solicitation for Donation – Gulf War Memorial, Inc. (Cumberland, MD): No action taken due to no prior allocation of funds in approved C.I. Budget
- Notice of Dept. of Ohio "70th Annual Bowling Tournament" - Toledo, OH – February 2019: Posted on BB and copy provided to Post Activities Chair Lindsey.
- Notice of 4th District E-Board Meeting – 12/8/18 – Waynesville, OH: No action required.
- Notice of 4th District Membership Roundup – 12/16/18 – Post 450 (Milford, OH): Copy provided to Membership Chair Kamman.

Outgoing Correspondence:

- Donation Acknowledgments for monetary donations to Post 318, as follows:
 - * Post Member Phil & Jillian Holt / Studio Art Services for \$50 donation.
 - * Post Member Greg Oliver / OFS for \$50 donation.

BUDGET REPORT / FINANCE ISSUES AND CONCERNS: Finance Officer Ron Yersky presented finance report, and distributed to the E.C. members copies of a line item budget (Revenue / Expense Actuals) update through October 31, 2018 with a copy for Adjutant to file with the November E.C. Minutes. Yersky noted that the current combined balance within both the Post current Operating Account and Savings Account, to-date, was approximately \$15,504 (\$11,017 Operations Account / \$4,487 Savings Account). Nothing out of the ordinary expected in the monthly expenses.

Yersky advised he was still working of the logistics related to 1st Financial Bank's (our new commercial mortgage loan holder) proposal for transfer of the Post's financial accounts to them from 5/3rd Bank. Will report to E.C. after first of 2019.

Yersky also advised that he is beginning once again to receive "Compass" checks to Post for compensation for fund-raising activities at Xavier University games by Boy Scout Troop 519, and he will handle the pass-thru of the funds to Troop 519 as he has done previously.

Commander Bishop advised he had been contacted again by Carroll Company regarding an ATM placement at Post, and he had emailed them advising that their proposal does not meet our needs.

OPEN ISSUES / OLD BUSINESS: Commander Bishop noted he had no open issues or old business.

Adjutant Wolfangel advised need to document / validate an E.C. email vote taken on October 31, 2018 regarding a request for funding of an Eagle Scout Project request from Samuel Dassenbrock (Troop 519), in amount of \$73. **Vote was unanimous in approval, to recommend C.I. distribute the funds from C.I. approved and allocated funds for Eagle Scout Projects.** Adjutant notified C.I. Treasurer Geil of recommendation.

NEW ISSUES / NEW BUSINESS (Commander): Commander Bishop noted the following new issues or new business.

Cub Scout Pack 405: Noted that they are transferring their sponsorship charter from our Post to Mt. Presbyterian Church effective January 1, 2019, due to facilities which better meet their needs. They have, however, asked that they be permitted to hold their Pinewood Derby at our facility on January 15th and 16th as was previously approved. Following discussion, ***motion was made (Don Bishop) to permit the approved gratis use for dates already scheduled, however any future usages would be considered as rentals. Motion seconded (Jerry Porter), and passed unanimously.*** Bishop also noted that Pack 405 never associated their financial accounts with the Post EIN, so we will not be requiring anything from them for our IRS filing for 2018.

Magazine Rack for Clubroom: Adjutant Wolfangel requested approval to secure a magazine rack for clubroom for placement of various publications received by Post, which are now displayed on top of the memorabilia display cases, or had been displayed on the pinball machine which had since been disposed of. ***Consensus was such rack could be purchased under House Committee allocated funds. Wolfangel will work with Chair Alfieri on purchase and placement.***

NEW ISSUES / NEW BUSINESS (Polling of Committee Chairs):

Membership: Chair Kamman reported, commented or led discussion as follows:

- **Membership Quota:** Noted we are currently at 134 members renewed/paid, and have 21 members who have not yet renewed, toward the quota of 159, which leaves us currently 25 members short. He also expects we will need a minimum of at least 4 or 5 new members to make quota. He read a list of the non-renewed members for the E.C.

Post Activities: Chair Lindsey noted, or commented on the following:

- Next Post social event will be **Post Christmas Party** on December 7th. He noted the logistics for the event and that all was ready to go.

Chaplain/VAVS: Chaplain Porter commented noted or commented on:

- VAVS Visit to VA Hospital still scheduled for December 17, 2018. Leave Post at 6 PM.
- Advised on status of ill and distressed members.
- Advised he (Porter) has knee replacement surgery scheduled for February 12, 2019, and his availability will be limited during recuperation. He had concerns regarding coordination of Lenten Fish Frys, however, several members have indicated a willingness to step up to lead as necessary,

Americanism: Commander Bishop noted there is still no Americanism Chair,

Jerry Porter, in accepting several Americanism program leads, noted:

- **Boys State:** Will need some assistance in interviewing potential attendees due to his surgery recuperation..
- **Oratorical:** Currently have about 7 interested students. Tentative schedule for the various local competition activities are:
 - * 1st review of Post 318 candidates at AHS on December 5th and 7th, at 7:15AM. Noted can use some help.
 - * Post 318 Competition @ Post on January 19th (12N to 3 or 4 PM depending on final number of participants.) Will need volunteers for judges, timers, ushers and scorers.
 - * HCC Competition @ Reading City Building on February 3rd.
- **A & G Testing:** He has test results from AHS, and it needs to get it to someone at HCC before their December meeting. It was suggested they may possibly be able give to someone at the Pearl Harbor event on December 2nd at Post 534.

Community Support & Recognition: Commander Bishop noted there is still no Chair for these programs, and he had nothing new to report regarding AACC, other than at the December meeting, he will be making a pitch for Boys & Girls State sponsors.

Service, Veterans Affairs / Economic / Legislative: Chair Charles Cleves noted he had nothing new to report.

Bingo: Chair Ed Sears reported that :

- Noted for November Bingo provided: \$1,100 to Post; \$570 to C.I.; and \$321 in concessions, for a total of \$1,991.
- He is working on the paperwork to renew our Bingo License
- Only have three Bingos in December, as there will be no Bingo on December 23rd (due to insufficient staffing) and 30th (due to hall set-up required for NYE dance on 31st).
- December is the last month for cash give-away on the Bingo Loyalty Card. Starting in January there will be different benefits for the quarterly drawings. Still in review.
- Dennis Sakal will be leaving for Florida on December 13th, and will be gone for six weeks.

Fund-Raising: Commander Bishop noted there was still no Fund-Raising Chair. In absence of a Chair, Bishop commented as follows:

- **Dances:** Noted December 1st Dance had been canceled due to lack of ticket sales. Next dance is December 15th, which will be Dance Loyalty Card drawings and Christmas theme.
- **Super Bowl Match Football-Mania:** Dennis Sakal was handling and would be sending them out to select members. Cost \$5 per ticket.)

- Restaurant Fund-Raisers: Continues to get requests to participate, however, no one willing to assume responsibility for coordinating or taking lead. Lost potential revenue source.

Event Coordination: Chair Ken Knight noted that he had no December Rentals. However, does have several in early part of 2019. He advised we have been averaging about \$1,000 per month over the year..

House: Chair Alfieri, noted Alfieri had submitted a report as follows:

- Monument Sign Repair: Currently seeking quotes on repair.
- Pinball Machine: Has been disposed of to an individual who says he can repair, and will sell, and provide us with half of the profits.

Internal / External Communications:

Chair Dan Wolfangel (External Communications) advised that:

- Submitted NYE Dance article appeared in Enquirer Hometown, and on cincinnati.com, and should also hopefully appear in Eastside Press.
- December 15th dance and NYE dance events both submitted to cincinnati.com calender of events, which should appear in calendar listing on cincinnati.com, and both Enquirer Hometown and Eastside Press..

Don Bishop (Internal Communications) advised or commented regarding:

- December Post Newsletter is being prepared.
- Still has room for submissions. Need by November 30th.

Uniform Ceremonies: Chair/SAA Caskey commented or noted the following:

- Jackets: Still has two ordered jackets that have not yet been picked up, nor paid for. Additional contact will attempt to be made before we offer them to someone else.
- Gun Case Donation Jerry Porter donated a gun case which will hold two riffles, for use by the Color Guard to transport weapons to details.
- Pearl Harbor Remembrance Ceremony: Noted we have a Color Guard going to ceremony hosted by Post 534 (Riverside) on Sunday – December 2nd. Anyone else that would like to attend is also welcome.
- Color Guard Details: Upcoming anticipated details are December 14th and January 25th, and believes we may have total of four basketball game color guards.
- Donations for Joseph House and Fisher House: Will be accepting donations at Post Christmas Dance and Christmas Party, and will make trip down Joseph House and Fisher House after that.

Charities, Inc.: Don Bishop commented or noted:

- Wave the Flag Program Fund-raiser: Noted that the program net revenues for this event over Veterans Day was \$2,221 to C.I.
- Post Loan Repayment: C.I. Anticipates being able to pay all loans and rent to Post by end of 2018.

Hamilton County Council Issues / Concerns: Nothing to report.

4th District Issues / Concerns: Nothing to report.

Dept of Ohio Issues / Concerns: Nothing to report..

Good of Legion: None.

Further Business: None.

Adjournment of Meeting: There being nothing further to come before the Executive Board Meeting, Commander Bishop adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:40 PM.

Prepared by: