

MINUTES
AMERICAN LEGION POST 318
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
JULY 28, 2021

The Executive Committee Meeting was called to order at approximately 7 PM, by Commander Lee Stegmann at Post 318. Matters addressed at the Executive Committee Meeting were:

ROLL CALL OF POST OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

Adjutant Dan Wolfangel conducted roll call, and indicated nine (9) E.C. voting members present as noted below, which exceeded the required quorum of six (6) E.C. Members.

Elected Officers

**Voting Member
(@ This Meeting)**

Commander		Lee Stegmann	X	X
1 st Vice Commander / Acting Commander		Bob Kamman	X	X
2 nd Vice Commander		Kirk Minnich	E	
Adjutant / Corporate Statutory Agent		Dan Wolfangel	X	X
Finance Officer		Randy Lindsey	X	X
Sgt-at-Arms		Ralph Caskey	X	X
Chaplain / VAVS Coordinator		Jerry Porter	E	

Appointed Positions/Chairs

Service Officer		Charlie Cleves	E	
Americanism Chair		VACANT	V	
Bingo Chair		Ed Sears	X	X
Community Support Chair		VACANT	V	
Fund-Raising Chair		VACANT	V	
House Chair		Bob Alfieri	X	X
Event Coord. Chair		Ken Knight	X	X
Charities, Inc Liaison		Don Bishop	X	X
Additional Attendees				
Ass't Finance Officer / Post Newsletter Editor		Joe DuBois	X	

X = Present

A= Absent

E = Excused (prior notice)

V= Vacant

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

Adjutant Wolfangel noted that the E.C. Meeting's Minutes, from June 30, 2021 were posted in E.C. Minutes Binder, distributed to all E.C. members, and sent to Post Web-Master for posting on web-site. ***Motion made (Don Bishop) to approve Minutes as submitted. Motion seconded (Bob Kamman), and passed by unanimous vote of E.C.***

POST EVENT CALENDAR REVIEW: Reviewed Post on-line calendar, as to upcoming event postings.

Correspondence Log: Adjutant Wolfangel advised the following correspondence of consequence or requiring E.C. action, was received:

- Solicitation for Donation to Korean War Veterans Assn for “Ohio Korean Veterans KIA Memorial Wall: Don Bishop (C.I. Liaison) indicated funds were available in C.I. Budget. ***Upon Motion made (Bob Alfieri) to donate \$50, and Seconded (Ed Sears), motion passed unanimously.*** Adjutant to notify Walt Geil, C.I. Treasurer for disbursement.
- Solicitation from Ohio Veterans Home for “Hole Sponsorship” for Golf Tournament: Don Bishop (C.I. Liaison) indicated \$75 was allocated in C.I. Budget for this request. ***E.C authorized the allocated \$75 disbursement.*** Adjutant to notify Walt Geil, C.I. Treasurer for disbursement.
- Notice of Dues Renewal for AACC in Amount of \$125.00: ***Finance Officer Lindsey advised this dues renewal was allocated within Post Budget. He will handle payment .***
- Email Request for Volunteers for “September 11th Commemoration and Swearing In” – Lunken Airport – September 11, 2021: Adjutant will send out copy to all E.C. for individual acknowledgment if interested, and will also announce at August Post Meeting.

BUDGET REPORT / FINANCE ISSUES AND CONCERNS: Finance Officer Randy Lindsey presented, and commented on his written Financial Report, which included more detail as to income and expenses, as of July 28, 2021. He explained that this was a work in progress and was open to input on any changes or additions. Following review of submitted report, Adjutant advised that a copy would be placed on file along with this E.C. Meeting Minutes in E.C. Minutes binder in Post Clubroom, for individual review, or may be provided upon individual request.

Lindsey advised that he had received correspondence from Post insurance carrier, requesting as to whether we wish to waive the “Terrorist Coverage”, which we have over past several years, as cost was considerable. ***Upon Motion made (Dan Wolfangel) to waive the coverage, and Second (Ed Sears) , motion passed unanimously.***

OPEN ISSUES / OLD BUSINESS:

AED Device: Adjutant Wolfangel noted this item was brought on floor of July 14, 2021 Post Meeting, and was referred to E.C. for review. House Chair Alfieri indicated he obtained a price of \$1,295 for a new device, and was in process of communicating with Anderson Fire Department to determine training and certification requirements. He plans to will have a full report at our August 25, 2021 E.C. Meeting.

NEW ISSUES / NEW BUSINESS :

Validation of Email Vote of E.C. Regarding a One-Time Waiver for Use of Post Clubroom on 7/6/21 for a Scheduled Rental Due to Floor Work Scheduled in Rental Hall: ***Email vote requested on 7/2/21, with 10 responses. 9 YES votes / 1 NO vote. Request for waiver passed.***

Validation of Email Vote of E.C. Regarding a One-Time Waiver for Use of Post Clubroom on 7/24/21 for a Scheduled Rental Due to Floor Work Scheduled in Rental Hall: ***Email vote requested on 7/19/21, with 10 responses. 8 YES votes / 2 NO votes. Request for waiver passed.***

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

Membership: Chair Bob Kamman reported :

- So far he has received 47 Post Memberships (28% of Post quota). Includes 2 new and 4 transfers.
- Believes we have potential of 175 for year if all current members renew.
- Our target for receiving Quota Award money would be 85% of quota by September 1, 2021.

Discussion was had regarding consideration of Post paying up front for all Post Members, to achieve quota earlier for purpose of cashing in on Quota cash awards. It was decided to re-look at our renewal status closer to as the quota deadlines come closer.

Post Activities: In absence of Chair Kirk Minnich:

- Adjutant Wolfangel gave report on the Post 318 Award & Recognition Program that was held on on July 17, 2021. He requested assistance in personal delivery of award certificates to those awardees not in attendance.
- Don Bishop noted that the Marine Corp Birthday, November 10th, would fall on a Post Meeting night this year.

Chaplain/VAVS: No report in Chaplain Jerry Porter's absence.

Americanism: (Chair is currently vacant) No report..

Community Support & Recognition: (Chair is currently vacant)

Don Bishop noted and commented on the logistics of the A/T Veterans Day Celebration / Dinner that will held at the Post on November 11, 2021. Post will be providing facility / bar; C.I. will be providing the entertainment; and A/T will be handling food and serving personnel, and handling reservations.

Service, Veterans Affairs / Economic / Legislative: No report in Chair Charles Cleves absence.

Bingo: Chair Ed Sears comments on following:

- Referenced the written July Bingo Report, which will be filed with these meeting minutes, in E.C. Meeting Minutes binder in clubroom for review, or access.
- Noted Bingo records audit by Ohio, was once again rescheduled.
- Noted a change in the law apparently will allow alcoholic beverage sales at Bingos, however, he did no know effective date, nor was he in favor of our Bingo doing so. Some discussion was had as to pros and cons, ***any decision as to whether we would sell alcoholic beverages at our bingo was tabled until a future E.C. meeting and more information being available.***

Discussion was also had regarding considering replacement of our Bingo equipment, due to it's age. It is believed new equipment would be between \$10,000 and \$15,000. ***Motion made (Don Bishop) to have Ed Sears check into cost of equipment replacement and prepare a proposal for next Meeting. Motion seconded (Bob Kamman), and passed unanimously.***

Fund-Raising: (Chair is currently vacant.)

Fall Dance / Band Events and Christmas Show: Don Bishop gave update on progress, noting have 9 dances and a Christmas Show.

Football-Mania: Randy Linsdsey commented, noting would be mailing out tickets next week. Has 400 tickets, which contains 40 winning tickets, if all sold.

“3rd Annual Hometown Heroes Benefit”: Adjutant Wolfangel advised update on planning, noting that it is being held on Sunday – August 29th, at Latitude Bar & Bistro. Reservations and collection of donated raffle and door prizes are exceeding expectations. VIP tables are pretty much sold out, and general admission (\$10) are still available. Notice is posted on BB.

Event Coordination: Chair Ken Knight, noted has 1 rental left in July, and has 3 rentals in August and 4 in September.

Ralph Caskey noted that the VFW Golf rental needed to be added to calendar for August 30th, 7:30 to 9:30 PM.

House: Chair Alfieri noted :

- Main hall flooring has been repaired, and will need to be stripped and re-waxed prior to start of dances.
- Kitchen is in need of good cleaning, especially the floor which needs to be professionally cleaned.

Internal / External Communications:

- External: Adjutant Wolfangel advised that the Media Releases on Fall Band / Dance Season and the recent Awards & Recognition Program are ready for submission to Enquirer / Eastside Press.
- Internal / Newsletter: Post Newsletter Editor, Joe DuBois, advised August Post Newsletter was almost ready, and if anyone had anything else, he needed it tonight.

Uniform Ceremonies: Chair Ralph Caskey noted or commented on:

- FHSD Opening Program: Scheduled for August 16, 2021, unless canceled. If canceled will deliver the new flags to the individual schools. Will be seeking Color Guard volunteers.
- Hometown Heroes Benefit: Will be seeing Color Guard volunteers for August 29th event. Currently scheduled for 2 PM.
- Flag Retirement Ceremony: Planning for a Saturday morning in either September or October, at Hillcrest Cemetery.
- Joseph House Items: Will take over when bin full. Is trying to get a speaker to come to a Post Meeting.
- Member Name Tag Board: He is working with Bob Kamman to update.

Charities, Inc. (C.I.): Liaison Don Bishop noted or commented on following:

- He advised 2021-2022 C.I Budget is prepared, but not yet approved, so there was not financial report at this time.
- Noted Bingo continues to exceed it's projected contributions to C.I.
- Wave-The-Flag C.I. Fundraiser: Still awaiting response from Kroger. Planning for November 13th.
- Old Coney Christmas Lights Fundraiser: Will need minimum of three volunteers per night, for two night per week, for six weeks.. Anticipate projected revenue of about \$15,000
- "Cookies and Cocoa with Santa" Fundraiser: to be held on Saturday December 4th. Have located a Santa Claus..

Marketing Committee: Next meeting will be on August 18th. Bishop suggested need for two meetings per month going forward, with one prior to each band / dance event.

Hamilton County Council Issues / Concerns: Nothing to report at this time. Adjutant Wolfangel to attempt to secure schedule of dates and location for 2021-2022 year.

4th District Issues / Concerns: Nothing to report at this time.. Adjutant Wolfangel to attempt to secure schedule of dates and location for 2021-2022 year.

Dept of Ohio Issues / Concerns: Nothing to report at this time.

Good of Legion: None.

Further Business: None.

Adjournment of Meeting:

Commander Stegmann, indicating there being no further business to come before the Executive Board Meeting, adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:42 PM.

Prepared by: Dan Wolfangel