

MINUTES
AMERICAN LEGION POST 318
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
JUNE 30, 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 eleven (11) E.C. voting members present as noted below, which exceeded the required quorum of seven (7) 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	X	X
Adjutant / Corporate Statutory Agent		Dan Wolfangel	X	X
Finance Officer		Randy Lindsey	E	
Sgt-at-Arms		Ralph Caskey	E	
Chaplain / VAVS Coordinator		Jerry Porter	X	X

Appointed Positions/Chairs

Service Officer		Charlie Cleves	X	X
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

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 May 26, 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 Alfieri), 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:

- A/T Request for Posting of July 3rd Parade Message on Post Monument Sign: *Wofangel advised has been done.*
- A/T “Place of Assembly” Permit Received: *Has been posted in Clubroom.*
- Donation Acknowledgment Received from A.L. Legacy Scholarship Foundation for \$500. Donation From C.I. Budget): *Posted on BB.*
- Military Times Magazine Subscription Special Offer – 1 Yr / 4 Monthly Magazines - \$79.95: Don Bishop advised he believed C.I. Could cover cost. *Motion made (Jerry Porter) to subscribe for the 1 year offer. Seconded (Bob Kamman), and passed unanimously.*
- Phone Message Received Reference Donation Offer to Post of a 3 Yr Old Electric Scooter: Wolfangel noted it was offered to several organizations on a first come basis. *Motion made (Jerry Porter) to accept scooter if still available, and offer to our members first. Seconded (Joe DuBois) and unanimously passed.* (NOTE: Call made by Wolfangel on 7/1/21 and scooter no longer available.).

BUDGET REPORT / FINANCE ISSUES AND CONCERNS: Finance Officer Randy Lindsey, in his excused absence, had provided a written report, as of 6/30/21, to Post Adjutant for file. 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. Ass't Finance Officer Joe DuBois advised he had checkbook, should any payments be required during Finance Officer Lindsey's vacation absence.

OPEN ISSUES / OLD BUSINESS:

Validation of Email Vote of E.C. Regarding Redirecting of Excess Memorial Day Funds (6/3/21): Vote was to redirect excess Memorial Day allocated funds (\$94.81) from Hillcrest Cemetery “Flags for Graves” as previously directed and was no longer required, to Post's Uniform Ceremonies Program for purchase of replacement “Flags for Post Flagpole”. *Email vote was unanimous for redirection.*

2021-2021 Post Business Plan / Budget: Don Bishop commented on the final draft of the 2021-2021 Post Business Plan / Budget which had previously sent electronically to all E.C. members for review. *Upon Motion made (Don Bishop) for E.C. to “recommend adoption by Post Membership at 7/14/21 Post Meeting of the submitted 2021-2021 Post Business Plan / Budget”, and Motion second (Bob Kamman), Motion passed unanimously. Bishop advised he would send Business Plan/Budget out to membership electronically a minimum of ten days in advance of 7/14/21 Post Meeting, and would post three (3) copies in Post Clubroom for hard copy review, in accordance with notification requirements of Post By-Laws.*

Publication of Post Financial Reports: This matter was referred to E.C. from 6/9/21 Post Meeting. Following discussion of matter,, and upon *Motion made (Joe DuBois) to discontinue inclusion of financial reports within all Meeting Minutes and Post Newsletter, both documents which are routinely posted on Post Website, in favor of filing copies of the submitted Financial Reports with Minutes in the respective Post Meeting or E.C. Meeting Minutes' binders in Post Clubroom for member review, or can be made available upon individual request. Motion seconded (Jerry Porter), and was passed unanimously.*

Charities, Inc Payment of Post Dues for Korean War Vet Members: This matter was referred to E.C. from 6/9/21 Post Meeting, however, has already been resolved by Charities, Inc Board including such action within C.I. Budget for 2021-2022.

Resolutions to Be Presented at 2021 Dep't of Ohio Convention: E.C. reviewed all resolutions to be presented at Convention and made recommendations to Commander Stegmann (Post Delegate to Convention), that based upon resolutions at this time, as follows: R20-17 (Approve); R20-18 (Approve); R21-02 (Disapprove); R21-07 (Approve); R21-09 (Disapprove /unless R21-02 passes then Approve). Commander Stegmann was advised these were guideline

recommendations, and to use own judgment should Resolutions be modified by Committee or on floor prior to presentation.

Post Website: Adjutant Wolfangel and 1st Vice Kamman advised that most of the missing items on Post Website had been corrected or updated, however, Post Officers listing still had several errors. ***Kamman indicated he would handle with Post Web-Master.***

NEW ISSUES / NEW BUSINESS :

Support for Scouts: Commander Stegmann, advised that in making his rounds of various Post events or supported activities, he had visited the Troop 519 Boy Scout Meeting, and they appeared to be in need of some financial assistance for tires for a trailer. Following brief discussion, it was suggested that Stegmann work through our Scouting Program Coordinator - Joe Baker.

Preamble Banner: Adjutant Wolfangel proposed purchase of a “Legion Preamble Banner” (Cost \$40) for placing in Post Clubroom, and relegating current Preamble Board to use in hall for Post Meetings or activities. ***Motion made (Joe DuBois) to purchase the “Legion Preamble Banner”. Motion seconded (Kirk Minnich), and passed unanimously.***

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

Membership: Chair Bob Kamman reported :

- Post has received it's 2022 Membership Cards, and he would be getting them out as our members submitted their renewal dues.
- Expects 2022 quota to be 169.
- Starting new membership year with 7 new members and 2 transfers.

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 Veterans Day.

Post Activities: Chair Kirk Minnich advised or commented on:

- 6/23/21 Member/Family Social was success with about 40 attending.
- Looking at possibility of an Ice Cream Social Member/Family event for August.
- Needs date for Post Christmas Party. ***Motion made (Kirk Minnich) to hold Post Christmas Party on Friday – December 10th. Motion seconded (Jerry Porter), and passed unanimously.*** To be added to Post Calendar.

Chaplain/VAVS: Chaplain Jerry Porter advised no report.

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

Community Support & Recognition: (Chair is currently vacant)

Post Awards and Recognition Program: Program Coordinator Wolfangel noted that arrangements were moving ahead. Invitations sent out, about dozen returns (RSVPs) so far. Distributed a draft of Program Agenda for review. Noted that our FFOY not able to make July 17th, and did we wish to make presentation to an ATFD representative, or schedule the FFOY recognition for a personal presentation at Post Meeting. ***Decision was for Post Meeting***

Service, Veterans Affairs / Economic / Legislative: Chair Charles Cleves advised no report.

Bingo: Chair Ed Sears submitted a written Bingo Report, and advised:

- Expected this Bingo Year to be a banner year.
- Has State of Ohio Bingo Audit scheduled for July 21st. Noted having problems related to obtaining required canceled checks from bank, as could be costly. Will be in contact with PNC bank.

It was determined that submitted Bingo Financial Report should be subject to the same practice of filing with the respective Meeting Minutes, and not detailed within the body of the Minutes.

Fund-Raising: (Chair is currently vacant.)

Christmas Show – December 18th: Don Bishop noted that he is meeting with members of our various bands in finalizing the Christmas Show, which produced a sizable source of revenue at our last one in 2019. Their next meeting will be July 27th. He gave brief commentary of the event.

Old Coney Christmas Lights Fund-Raiser for Charities, Inc.: Bishop commented on a new fund-raising event to benefit C.I.. Will be needing at least three (3) volunteers [can be members/family/friends] per night, two (2) nights per week, for about six (6) weeks, between Thanksgiving and New Years, to collect donations at the event for about four to five hours per night, in conjunctions with Coney's Light Show. Expected to produce about \$10,000 to fund C.I. Programs for Post. More info and details forthcoming.

“3rd Annual Hometown Heroes Benefit”: Adjutant Wolfangel advised that the 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 sold out, and only general admission (\$10) are available. Notice is posted on BB.

Event Coordination: Chair Ken Knight, noted hall rentals are up.

House: Chair Alfieri noted main hall floor is being renovated / repaired, and is expected to be accomplished during week after July 4th.

Internal / External Communications:

- **External:** Adjutant Wolfangel advised that the Media Release on Fall Dance Season will be submitted for publication around end of July. Also may submit one on Post's July 3rd A/T Parade activities.
- **Internal / Newsletter:** Post Newsletter Editor, Joe DuBois, advised July Post Newsletter was already distributed, and would like all submissions for August's Newsletter submitted not later than July 25th.

Uniform Ceremonies: In absence of Chair Ralph Caskey, Bob Alfieri and Jerry Porter provided logistics and details for July 3rd A/T Parade event.

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

- He provided E.C. Members with, and commented on and explained, a C.I. Budget Summary as of June 2021 (prepared by C.I. Treasurer Walt Geil and Bishop) for purposes of updating E.C., as to C.I.'s financial situation.
- Noted Bingo continues to exceed it's projected contributions to C.I.
- C.I.'s 2021-2022 Budget is prepared and should be passed by C.I. Board by end of July.
- Looking for a Santa Claus for a “Cookies and Cocoa with Santa” C.I. fund-raising event planned for December 4th. (Jerry Porter advised he may have someone. Will check and advise).

Marketing Committee: Bob Kamman indicated Marketing Committee met on June 8th, and most items discussed have been noted in comments elsewhere within this meeting.

Hamilton County Council Issues / Concerns: Nothing to report at this time.

4th District Issues / Concerns: Nothing to report at this time..

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

Good of Legion: None.

Further Business: None.

Adjournment of Meeting:

Commander Kamman, indicating there being no further business to come before the Executive Board Meeting, adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:10 PM.

Prepared by: Dan Wolfangel