# The American Legion

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Meeting Minutes 5-13-2013

**Subject:** Executive Committee Meeting Agenda

**Call to Order**: Commander Stewart called the meeting to order at 1900 hours.

**Opening Prayer**: Chaplain Kramer of the Sons Squadron offered an invocation.

<u>Roll Call:</u> Adjutant announced a quorum present. Chaplain Lancaster, VSO Williams and At -Large Partin, were excused absent.

## **Commanders Comments:**

- -The Post received an invitation from Commander of VFW Post 10630 to partivipate in the Memorial Day Observance in Hope Mills. The Sons Squadron will be participating and laying the wreath for Post 32.
- -A Thank You card from Chance Mathias, Boy's State candidate was received and passed around. It will go on the bulletin board.
- -One Boy's State candidate (Pat Kaiser) had to withdraw. His fees will be re-imbursed.
- -On Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2013 Wilford Brimley of TV fame, will be available to meet Veterans and the general public at the NC Veterans Park.
- -Commander Stewart has done some repair and maintenance on the Post lawn mowers in preparation for the summer grass cutting season.

#### **Reports:**

- -Adjutant: Membership stands at 103%. Minutes last Excom read and approved as read.
- <u>-First Vice/Ventures</u>: The Venture Crew will have a busy summer. Key events are the Fire Pit dedication and Eagle Scout Court of Honor on June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2013 here at the Post. A pig-pickin will follow the dedication of the fire pit. This summer the Crew will continue training in scuba diving and participate in camping activities.
- -Second Vice/Facility Manager Excused absence for family event. Arrived later and had no pending rentals to report. Reported adequate US flags on hand for cemetery placement prior to Memorial Day.
- **-Finance:** Positive balance on hand. See BB for detailed report.
- -Chaplain: Excused absence-medical.
- -Historian: No report.
- -Sergeant at Arms: No report.
- <u>-Legion Riders:</u> The Riders will be preparing a meal of lasagna for the District 8 meeting on May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013. They will also assist the Sons Squadron at the Hope Mills Memorial Day Wreath Laying.

<u>-Sons of the American Legion:</u> Will take charge of the Wreath Laying for the Post at Hope Mills Ceremony, May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2013. The Squadron unfortunately had two members withdraw their participation, including their Finance Officer. Legionnaire Nelson Garcia has been assisting the Squadron with their training for the 5 Star Awards Program.

-Auxiliary: Absent, No Report.

<u>-At Large Members:</u> Legionnaire Roth reported that Leroy Partin was absent for medical reasons. Feedback from the Residents Coordinator at the Veterans Nursing Home indicate a high level of satisfaction with the snacks provided at the monthly Bingo games so no changes are needed at this time. Also, members of the VFW Post 10630 will be visiting the Post at a future Coffee Call on a Friday to continue discussions about long term rental of the facility for their meetings.

#### **Old Business:**

- -A raffle ticket sale sign up sheet was passed around for sales on Friday May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013. Location: South Post Exchange.
- A review of the Cooks List for the year was given by the Adjutant. Cooks still needed for the months of September and October.

#### **New Business:**

-The Executive Committee developed the following slate of Officers for the annual election to be held on May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2013. This list is a start point for the annual election. All positions will be considered open and subject to nominations from the floor at the monthly general membership meeting. Any position that is contested will be voted upon by secret ballot. All slated Officers have agreed to serve in the capacity noted if elected. It should also be noted that attendance of the monthly Executive Committee meetings is open to all Legionnaires in good standing (dues paid).

#### -Elected Positions:

Commander: Harvey Stewart-Incumbent

1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander-Jim Sheckels-Incumbent

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Commander-Bob Pinsky-Currently the Historian
Finance Officer-Clyde Vaughan-Incumbent
Chaplain/Ministry Team Leader-John Lancaster
Historian-NO CANDIDATE-Currently Bob Pinsky
Sergeant At Arms-David Primeaux-Incumbent
Veterans Service Officer: Marty Williams-Incumbent

### -Appointed Positions:

Adjutant-John Cook-Currently 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander & Facility Manager Membership Coordinator-Carter Broadhurst-Currently Adjutant At Large-Jacob Roth-Incumbent At Large-Leroy Partin-Incumbent

-Memorial Day Ceremony Water Point: The Commander and Homer Sadler will take the lead to secure the water from PWC (already coordinated by Past commander Talbot) and bring it to Freedom Memorial Park. Pick up is on Friday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2013 in the AM. Adjutant will bring a table, Post banner and donation jar. Ice will be secured at the Post on Monday prior to set up.

- The Post will place US Flags on all Veteran's Graves in Hope Mills Cemetery on May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at 0900 hours. All Legionnaires are invited to attend and participate.
- -The following Legionnaires will have volunteered to serve as delegates to the Annual Department Convention, June 12-16 2013. These volunteers will be nominated in conjunction with Post elections. Other nominations will be taken from the floor at the monthly meeting. The Post can send up to 8 delegates to the Convention based upon our current level of paid up membership.
  - Harvey Stewart-Currently Commander
  - Johnny Holloway-Currently District 8 Vice Commander
  - Juan Roman-Currently Director- Legion Riders
  - Carter Broadhurst-Currently Adjutant
  - John Cook-Currently 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander & Adjutant-Sons Squadron
  - -Bob Pinsky-Currently Post Historian
  - -Richard Kramer-Currently Chaplain of Sons Squadron
- -District Elections to be held at Post 32 on May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013. Currently, two candidates are intending to stand for election as Commander. They are incumbent Commander Glen Borg and current Vice Commander Johnny Holloway. Other nominations may be received at this meeting. Post 32 will vote by secret ballot at the May general membership meeting to determine the allocation of the Posts'8 votes for the District Commander position. These 8 votes are based upon the Post 32 current membership of 340 renewed for 2013. 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander Sheckels will handle the logistics of this special election.
- -Legionnaire Nelson Garcia, instructor for the Sons Squadron, requested consideration be given for the Post to acquire a projector that can be used in conjunction with his lap top computer to aid in the instruction of the 5 Star Award Program. Vice Commander Sheckels recommended the Post consider a large screen TV set as an alternative. A committee of Nelson Garcia, Jim Sheckels, and John Cook will research the issue and come back with a firm recommendation. The option of using the currently onhand large screen TV set will be checked out.
- -Commander Steward made a motion to donate one of the Posts refrigerators to the Cumberland County Veterans Service Officers when they move to their new offices this summer. The motion was seconded, discussed and approved. It will be taken to the general membership at the next meeting.

#### For The Good of the Order:

-John Cook suggested the Post consider obtaining a new 2x6 foot banner with all Legion element logos on it. This would be Legion, Auxiliary, Riders and Sons. The banner would be for events in the community. Cost would be \$85.00 but no money was allocated at this time.

**Adjourn:** The Executive Committee adjourned at 2020 hours.

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