



**MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES**  
**OF THE AMERICAN LEGION**  
**POST NO. 66 DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA**

**COMPILED BY** Ramona Hedges, Post Adjutant

**January 7, 2023**

**OPENED:** 1007

**OFFICERS:** Yvonne Hampton, Ramona Hedges, Jeff Pillers.

**MEMBERS:** David Glidden, Rick Pushies, Bobby Evenson, Mario Perez, Fred Hampton, William Robert Ryan, Roger Steel, Bob Lever, Matt Stephens, Bob R. Amaral, Bill Crewe, Jim Wilson.

**TOTAL:** 15

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**APPROVED BY** Yvonne Hampton, Post Commander

**Commander Yvonne Hampton** .

**Invocation:** Matt Stephens

**Opening Statement:** Commander Yvonne Hampton

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**Motion:** by David Glidden to approve the minutes as amended of the Monthly Membership meeting of December 6, 2022 as distributed via email on January 4, 2023. Seconded by Rick Pushies and approved unanimously.

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS**

Adrian Hurtado, Cayucos  
Richard Ciesielski  
Jerry Lodge  
Rich Hendrickson

**OFFICER'S REPORTS**

**Commander:** Yvonne Hampton discusses the Wreaths Across America program and meetings held in conjunction with the Veterans Museum. Need volunteers for Pancake breakfast 5/20 & 5/21 Car Show.

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander**

No report

## **2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander**

No report

## **Junior Past Commander**

No report

## **Adjutant (Ramona Hedges)**

**Assigned Membership:** as of 12-30-22 Ca Legion.Org report: Members Paid: 180. Transfers: 4. Current number of members: 263.

**New Members: 0**

**Reactivated Members: 0**

## **Communications**

None

## **Sick Call**

Chuck Emery, Randy Arseneau, John Archuleta, Jeff Pillers, and John Buckley.

## **Post Everlasting**

None

## **Finance Officer (David Glidden reports)**

Checking: Final Balance: \$17,125.82

Savings: Final Balance: \$44,153.67

Finance Officer recommends \$10,000.00 be withdrawn from the savings account at Chase and placed in the General Fund.

**Motion:** by David Glidden to approve transfer of \$10,000.00 from savings account and deposit into the General Fund. Seconded by: Rick Pushies. Approved unanimously.

## **Finance Investment Committee**

David Glidden: provides report. Charles Schaub investment account finished 2022 with a balance of \$514,515.48. \$45,402.62 in cash in Savings at Charles Schaub which is invested in Money Market accounts.

## **CORE VALUE AREA REPORTS**

**Youth Leadership:** No report.

**Boys & Girls State:** No report.

**Community Outreach:** No report.

**Scouting Report:** Bill Crewe reports.

## **Capital Improvement Committee**

David Glidden reports. Communications with Congressman Salud Carbajal (member of Post 49, Santa Barbara American Legion) at a standstill. Needs to talk to him about grant funds available to remodel the Post 66 building. Contacting Arborist regarding the Palm Tree in terms of an order to have the tree taken down. This has become a safety issue. Only profits from the Schaub account can be spent. Not initial endowment.

Mario Perez: reports on the termite tenting and exterior painting. Reports on what Key Termite repaired. Exterior light fixture needed and will be purchased. Will be using mulch in the back by the fruit trees to keep the weeds at bay. Discusses range hood and was recommended a contractor for commercial work – especially in terms of fire suppression. Bob Ryan clarification that the Post is a “Private” entity, and not commercial.

## **LEGION FAMILY REPORTS**

**Auxiliary:** No report.

**Sons:** Bobbie Evenson reports 22 members and 1 new member. Thanks Neil Haskins for creating the Super Bowl football game schematic to be used for fundraising wagers at the Super Bowl party.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Tyrone Killigrew US Army veteran was successfully moved from Tennessee to California. Christy Hepner US Airforce veteran has been relocated and doing well. There is an abundance of wheelchairs in our medical supply.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Discuss Policies and Procedures manual.

Rick Pushies brings forward information and reasoning for creating a Policies and Procedures manual. Each member of the Leadership team should prepare a Standard Operating Procedures instruction document to be used by replacements when Officers step down. Committee responsibilities will also be included. The draft “Policies and Procedures” document is located on the website under the “Archives” tab and is recommended reading for all members. Discusses the “American Legion College” presentation on Post Marketing being done by Rick. PowerPoint will be available. The completion goal is 1 July 2023.

2. Discuss fundraising ideas i.e. Parking Lot Sale; Golf Tournament; Drive Through Tri-Tip dinners; Pancake Breakfast and raising money by grants etc. for upgrades.

David Glidden discusses the golf tournament. Robert Tolin contacted in terms of his experience with past fundraisers. Tournament is tentative at this point. Jim Wilson recommends a contact for Dave to continue his research into producing this event. Tentative goal for event is September 2023.

Yvonne Hampton recommends we have a “Parking Lot Sale” on May 20 & 21 to raise additional funds which we have the Pancake Breakfast and Car Show. Tim Jackson recommended to play live music for pancake breakfast.

Mario Perez discusses Drive Through dinners as a fund raiser. Marketing discussed in terms of getting our name out. Also recommends tee shirts for Post 66 be made because it would help with marketing. Post 66 tee shirts suggested. Rick Pushies will work up ideas for tee shirt logos. This will then be brought forward to the membership for action.

3. Robert Bettencourt – discussion amongst Past Commanders regarding leadership experiences. Referred to Executive Committee.

## **TABLED ITEMS**

None

## **For The Good and Welfare of the Legion**

No report.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS / UPCOMING EVENTS**

1/7/23 Membership meeting 1000 hrs

1/27/23 Auxiliary is starting “Movie Night” Patti Hahn spearheading it.

1/28/23 Membership Phone-a-Thon being held from 0900-1200 at Post 66 hosting 5 other posts with representatives from those posts participating.

3/25/23 Tentative – Veteran’s Museum hosting a Veterans BBQ luncheon.

5/5/23 at 1700 hrs Department will host American Legion Riders at Post 66 (35 riders already signed up).

5/29/23 Memorial Day – Veteran’s Museum Open House.

5/1-5/31/23 - May is Poppy Month

5/19 , 20 and 21 Post 66 Car show and Pancake breakfast.

**Benediction:** Matt Stephens

**Adjourned: 1154**