



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

COMPILED BY Ramona Hedges, Post Adjutant

May 3, 2023

OPENED: 1830

OFFICERS: Ramona Hedges, Yvonne Hampton, Maggie Glidden, Jeff Pillers, Dave Glidden, and Nora O'Donnell

MEMBERS: Fred Hampton, Bart Topham, Barbara Fisher, Greg Somers (District 16 Commander), Bill Fieldhouse, and Bobby Evenson

TOTAL: 12

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APPROVED BY Yvonne Hampton, Post Commander

Commander Yvonne Hampton

Invocation: Janice Somers

Moment of Silence: For Post Everlasting, POW/MIA's, and those serving our County

Pledge of Allegiance

Legion Preamble

Opening Statement: Commander Hampton thanks all volunteers who helped with The Wall that Heals.

Officers Roll: Quorum reached.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Monthly Membership meeting of 3-1-23 as distributed via email on 3-29-23

Motion: to approve the March 1, 2023 minutes as distributed by Janice Somers. Seconded by David Glidden. No discussion. Minutes approved unanimously.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

None

OFFICER'S REPORTS

1st Vice Commander

Nora O'Donnell reports there is a group requesting to use the Post on Saturday mornings for 45 minutes to 1 hour for Weight Watchers (approx. 20 people). Yvonne Hampton stated she will sponsor and volunteer to open post for the group.

Motion by Nora O'Donnell to allow the Weight Watchers group to use Post 66 one hour per week provided all contract requirements are met. Seconded by Maggie Glidden. No discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

2nd Vice Commander

No report.

Junior Past Commander

Will report on New Business Pancake Breakfast item.

Adjutant (Ramona Hedges)

Assigned Membership: as of 3-31-23 Ca Legion.Org report: Members Paid: 214. Transfers: 5 (previously voted to accept). Current number of members: 301

New Members: 6 (4 voted on & accepted) 2 requiring action: Andrew Klein USN (DD-214 verified) and John McDonald (DD-214 verified).

Motion: by Nora O'Donnell to accept two new members as verified above. Seconded by Bart Topham. Discussion had regarding unpaid members required to be dropped by July 1, 2023. Motion passed unanimously.

Reactivated Members: 0

Communications

Doug Morgan's wife Christine passed away. Funeral on April 28, 2023 at 1000 hrs. Location: Chapel of The Roses in Atascadero.

Sick Call

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

Post Everlasting

Don Morris
Larry Gaeta
Fred Rogers
Richard Foge

Finance Officer (Maggie Glidden)

Checking: Final Balance: \$15,574.79

Savings: Final Balance: \$30,000.00

Motion by Dave Glidden to approve the Finance Report subject to audit. Seconded by Janice Somers. No discussion. Motion approved unanimously.

Finance Investment Committee

David Glidden reports there is \$566,691.88 in total account.

CORE VALUE AREA REPORTS

Youth Leadership: No report.

Boys & Girls State: Greg Somers reports.

Community Outreach: No report.

Scouting Report: No report.

Capital Improvement Committee

No report.

LEGION FAMILY REPORTS

Auxiliary: Laurie Richardson reports all reports are finished.

Sons: Bobby Evenson reports he has a crew of at least 5 people to help with the pancake breakfast. Also reminds us that Memorial Day May 29, 2023 flags need to go up and down at the cemeteries.

OLD BUSINESS

Discuss purchase of additional shed for records storage, etc. Location discussed at Executive Committee. This item continued from 3-1-23 meeting. Table this discussion on the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Purchase of 3 American Flags for KSBY at the cost of \$989.89
Motion Janice Somers to approve purchase of the flags. Seconded by Greg Somers. No discussion. Motion approved unanimously.
2. **First round for Nominations for Officers. Each nomination is called for 3 consecutive times.**

1st Vice:

No nominations.

2nd Vice:

No nominations.

Finance Officer:

Greg Somers nominates Bill Fieldhouse. Bill Fieldhouse declines nomination. No other nominations explored. Yvonne Hampton will inquire with possible Financial Officer candidate.

Commander

Barbara Fisher nominates Janice Somers.

David Glidden nominates Nora O'Donnell. Nora O'Donnell declines nomination.

Nominations for Commander closed.

Adjutant

Ramona Hedges reports she will continue the next year as Adjutant.

Nominations for the Executive Committee. All Executive Committee nominations below accepted by nominees.

Nora O'Donnell nominates John McDonald.

Greg Somers nominates Bill Fieldhouse.

Janice Somers nominates Barbara Fisher.

Nora O'Donnell nominates Jeff Pillers.

Janice Somers nominates Greg Somers.

3. **Nominations for Delegates to the Convention.** All nominees accept nominations.

Greg Somers nominates Janice Somers.

Dave Glidden nominates Greg Somers.

4. Discuss findings by Mario Perez and Commander Hampton in regards to our current Mission Statement. Current mission statement stands.

MOTION: by Janice Somers to keep current Mission Statement. Seconded: by Greg Somers. No discussion. Motion approved unanimously.

5. Discuss donations for a fishing trip for Veterans in collaboration with Disabled American Veterans (DAV) and the Elks Club. Discussions had and no action taken.

6. Yvonne Hampton offers Congratulations to 50-year members of the American Legion: Dr. Lee Hollister and Randy Arseneau.

7. Discuss Monday night raffles allowing us to donate \$500.00 to the Central Coast Veterans Museum to assist with their losses due to flood damage. Discussions had and no action taken.

8. Discuss status of Pancake Breakfast, Craft Fair, Car Show, and Memorial Day celebrations on 5-29-23. Discussions had and no action taken.

TABLED ITEMS

None

For The Good and Welfare of the Legion

No report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS / UPCOMING EVENTS

4/17/23 Monday Night Social – Dinner: Taco Salad Bowls with all the fixins.

4/24/23 Monday Night Social – Classic Country guitar music by Tom. Dinner: Soup night

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 Post 66 Craft Fair

5/21 Pancake Breakfast and Car Show

Benediction: Janice Somers

Adjourned: 1950 hrs