



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: Yvonne Hampton, Ramona Hedges, Maggie Glidden

MEMBERS: Bobby Evenson, Bill Fieldhouse, Janice Somers, Greg Somers, Patti Hahn, Barbara Fisher, Nora O'Donnell, Fred Hampton, David Glidden, Mike Crewe, Bart Topham, Mario Perez, and Roger Janakus.

TOTAL:

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APPROVED BY Yvonne Hampton, Post Commander

Commander Yvonne Hampton

Invocation:

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Legion Preamble

Opening Statement: Commander Hampton reminds everyone of the Memorial Day Celebration, Car Show and Pancake Breakfast.

Officers Roll: Quorum reached.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Monthly Membership meeting of 4-5-23 as distributed via email on 5-2-23.

Motion: by David Glidden. Seconded by Greg Somers. Discussion: correction noted under Legion Family Reports to correct May 25, to May 29, 2023. Motion approved unanimously.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

None

OFFICER'S REPORTS

1st Vice Commander

Nora O'Donnell calls for volunteers for all events in May, Craft Fair, Car Show, and Pancake Breakfast.

2nd Vice Commander

None

Junior Past Commander

No report

Adjutant (Ramona Hedges)

Assigned Membership: as of 4-28-23 Ca Legion.Org report: Members Paid: 221. Transfers: 6 (previously voted to accept). Current number of members: 309

New Members: 6 – no action required – previously voted on.

Reactivated Members: 0

Communications

Letter received regarding a donation request from American Legion Birch-Miller Post 9, Milbank, South Dakota in regards to donation for Legion Baseball.

Sick Call

Chuck Emery, Randy Arseneau, John Archuleta, John Buckley, Frank Rowin, Rick Pushies and Jeff Pillers.

Post Everlasting

John "Jack" Dewar

Finance Officer (Maggie Glidden)

Checking: Final Balance: start \$15574.70 ending balance 12725.58

Savings: Final Balance: opening balance \$34154.65 closing balance \$34154.91

Statement of activity total revenue \$6991.00 and \$9548.00 in expenditures for a loss of \$ 2557.52

Motion to approve the finance report subject to audit by Janice Somers. Second by Bart Topham. No discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Finance Investment

David Glidden reports that we currently we have \$527,966.32 in investments. \$45547.35 in cash. Disappointment expressed in Thomas Partners as we have lost \$9,000.00 since inception. Dr. Steele interested in being on the Investment Committee. 2 openings need to be filled by the 1st of July. David Glidden will continue on the committee for one more year.

CORE VALUE AREA REPORTS

Youth Leadership: no report.

Boys & Girls State: Greg Somers reports on trip attendees and District 16 meeting information.

Community Outreach: Bart Topham and Mike Crewe report on Veterans in Nipomo needing immediate assistance with housing.

Scouting Report: Mike Crewe reports the Treasurer left and has been persuaded to turn over records. Troop 6 has not rechartered at this time.

Capital Improvement Committee

Mario Perez reports on contractor friend suggestion of building shed ourselves. 1200 sq ft needs no permit. Discuss at next meeting.

LEGION FAMILY REPORTS

Auxiliary: Janice Somers reports on who the new officers are for 2023/24.

OLD BUSINESS

Discuss purchase of additional shed for records storage, etc. Location discussed at Executive Committee. This item continued from 3-1-23 meeting. Discussed above. Capital improvent comm will meet and then.

NEW BUSINESS

Yvonne Hampton presents Daisy Girl Scout Troop with a Certificate of Appreciation for their donations to Veterans.

1. Second round Nominations for Post 66 Officers

a. Commander

Mario Perez nominates Nora O'Donnell (accepted)

Mario Perez nominates David Glidden. David Glidden declines.

NOMINATIONS CLOSED

b. 1st Vice Commander

Mario Perez nominates Barbara Fisher – declines.

David Glidden nominates Mario Perez - declines.

NOMINATIONS CLOSED

c. 2nd Vice Commander

Nora O'Donnell nominates Fred Hampton - declines.

Greg Somers nominates Patti Hahn - declines.

NOMINATIONS CLOSED

d. Finance Officer

David Glidden explains financials in hiring a bookkeeper and reports the cost would be \$4100.00 per month. General consensus was against hiring a bookkeeper.

Maggie Glidden nominates Greg Somers - declines.

POSITION WILL BE HELD OPEN UNTIL FILLED

Ballots counted for the Commander position 8 for Nora O'Donnell and 7 for Janice Somers.

2. Second round Nominations for Executive Committee

David Glidden nominates Mario Perez – nomination accepted

MOTION: by David Glidden to accept Executive Committee Adjutant nominees running unopposed by acclamation. Seconded by Greg Somers. Motion approved unanimously.

3. Discuss status of Pancake Breakfast, Craft Fair, Car Show, and Memorial Day celebrations on 5-29-23

TABLED ITEMS

None

For The Good and Welfare of the Legion

ANNOUNCEMENTS / UPCOMING EVENTS

5/3/23 General Membership meeting (second round nominations for Officers) 1830 hrs.

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

5/8/23 Monday Night Social – Deli Sandwiches, chips, homemade potato salad, and dessert.

5/10/23 General Membership BBQ -BBQ spareribs, beans, salad, rolls and dessert.

5/15/23 Monday Night Social – Rotisserie Chicken, scalloped potatoes, green beans, salad and dessert.

2/22/23 Monday Night Social – Hamburgers with fixings, salad and dessert.

5/29/23 Memorial Day Celebration– lunch at noon serving Tri-Tip Sandwiches, beans, salad and dessert (\$12.00) Kids meal: Hot Dogs and chips (\$5.00).

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

5/19 & 20 Post 66 Craft Fair

5/21 Pancake Breakfast and Car Show

6/4 District 16 meeting at Post 56 Santa Maria at 1000 hrs

Benediction: Bart Topham

Adjourned: 2007 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Ramona Hedges

Post 66, Adjutant