

# AMVETS POST 25 MEETING MINUTES

September 14, 2009

## PROCEEDINGS:

- Call to order at: 19:02
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll call of officers:

P	Commander (Sam Pierce)	E	Judge Advocate (Al Pristera)
E	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice (Buck Boetticher)	V	Chaplain (_____)
P	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice (Tom Doughman)	P	Service Officer (Grant Wells)
A	3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice (Alan Lower)	P	1-Year Trustee (Dave Williams)
P	Adjutant (Dana Kapp)	E	2-Year Trustee (Bob Kapp)
P	Finance Officer (Rob Svendsen)	E	3-Year Trustee (John Massie)
V	Provost Marshall (_____)		

- No minutes from last scheduled meeting in August due to majority of officers at national conference or excused.
- Minutes from July reviewed and approved.

## REPORTS:

### New Membership Report:

- Gray Huff – Was a past member who let membership lapse so has to come back across the floor. Motion to accept as a member seconded and carried.

### Correspondence:

- Return receipt for the letter to Dick Robbins - filed
- Thank you for \$100 donation to Hair for Kids made at the State Convention.
- New request from the American Cancer Society Relay for Life for donations – no donation made
- Request for annual dues from the Ohio Council of Fraternal Veterans and Service Organizations – no benefits to the Post to belong so no longer belong
- New request for donation to Hospice of Dayton - no donation made
- Notice of grand opening of new Kettering Post 2003 – Saturday Night – all invited - posted

Motion to accept correspondence report, second and motion carried.

### Bills Report:

Financial report given. See Adjutant for a copy.

Motion to accept financial report, second and motion carried.

## Guests:

1<sup>st</sup> District Commander Mike Laake

Remarks:

- Commended Sam for arranging bike run to benefit his projects of the Fisher and Nightingale Houses, which serve Veterans family needs.
- District Meeting – Sunday, September 20 – Post 148 in Medway.
- State Fall Convention – Friday-Sunday, October 9-11 in Beechwood. Information on district website.
- Send information for district website to Mike for updating.

1<sup>st</sup> District First Vice – Mike Pittman

Remarks:

- Membership is project. Please call for help if needed.
- Reporting programs! Need to be recognized for what you do! Any service to vets or community.

Motion to accept all reports, second and motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- Building addition and renovations:
  - Halted for an addition out front. Cost over \$200,000 so is not cost effective for Post.
  - Will still need sprinkler system.
  - Investigating an addition in the back and side to have a game room and kitchen.
  - Need to investigate second entrance to basement to make useable space.
- Sons Unit:
  - Unclear if revalidation was completed by August 1, 2009 deadline.
- Additional tables and chairs:
  - Tables purchased
  - Still need to purchase chairs.
- Still discussing building a trophy case for both the Post and Career Center.
- Publicity:
  - We can submit to The Springfield Paper for free. Articles 300 words and to calendar for events.
  - Still need to investigate the News-Sun.
- Career Center checking account:
  - The checkbook and records have been turned over to the Career Center for future handling and reporting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Ladies Auxiliary:
  - Ann Bagford is the new Ladies Auxiliary President
- Ladies Auxiliary and Sons:
  - They are their own organizations and we cannot get involved in their business or their office.
- National Convention:
  - Those that attended
- Next District Meeting is Sunday, September 20 at Post 148 in Medway.
- Poker Run with AMVETS Riders – September 26. See Sam for details.
- Dayton VA visit and Post hop on Saturday, October 3.
  - Brookville, Dayton, Huber Heights, and Medway
  - Please sign up for bus if want to go by September 27.
  - Cost is \$15.
- National Commander visits on October 4 from 6:30-7:30. Please come to meet and greet.
- Fall Convention
  - October 9-11 in Beechwood
  - See Sam if want to go.
- Newsletter:
  - Hope to get one out soon

- Could not open database received from Richard
- Membership List:
  - Adjutant now has a good list from the Department
  - 226 total members (53 annual and 173 life) as of August 25, 2009
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- Membership Dues
  - Confusion on cost in canteen - \$25 is the full cost.
  - Will be going up after January 1.
  - Will post new rates when known.
- Canteen Problems
  - Discussed in Board of Trustees meeting the problems with money, records, and lack of inventory.
  - One resolution is to hire a canteen manager.
  - Will meet with board of Trustees again before next meeting to further discuss rules and procedures for operation of canteen. Review those from other posts.
  - Need to have a computer for the canteen so can run reports as needed.
  - Need to schedule an inventory.
- State Horseshoe tournament and Cornhole tournament are coming up. Swill post announcements.
- Inventory
  - Need a entire Post inventory and labeling
  - Schedule same time as Canteen inventory
  - Also get rid of stuff no longer needed
- Veteran's Day
  - Cliff Park on 11-11 at 11
  - Sam is emcee this year.
  - Food at Post following??? Get with Auxiliary to discuss.
- Thanksgiving
  - Get with ladies
  - Baskets or food cards????

**ADJOURN:**

- Colors retired
- Meeting adjourned.