

# AMVETS POST 25 MEETING MINUTES

September 20, 2010

## PROCEEDINGS:

- Call to order at: 7:00 pm and Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll call of officers:

P	Commander (Bob Kapp)
P	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice (Tom Doughman)
P	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice (Sam Pierce)
P	3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice (Mark Crawford)
P	Adjutant (Dana Kapp)
P	Finance Officer (Rob Svendsen)
E	Provost Marshall (Sara Welsh)

P	Judge Advocate (Al Pristera)
E	Chaplain (Sara Welsh)
A	Service Officer (Grant Wells)
A	1-Year Trustee (Eddie Wilson)
A	2-Year Trustee (Dave Williams)
V	3-Year Trustee (Vacant)

- Called to question that when motions are made and seconded that the name of the person making such motion has not been recorded in the minutes. Svendsen made motion that the person making a motion and the person seconding said motion will give their name before doing so. Did not hear second on tape. Motion carried
- Minutes from August meeting reviewed and approved.

**Special announcement by Commander:** Since there is a pending hearing concerning attendance at the National Convention we will discuss anything related to the National Convention until after the hearing which will take place next meeting night in Executive Counsel.

## REPORTS:

### Membership Report:

- One social membership, Joseph Tackett.
- Eight annual renewals.
- Two transfers from Post 189, Roger Connolly and James Rowe.
- One new annual member, Gregory Finch.
- One new life member, James Garry.
- Motion made by Pierce and seconded by Pristera to accepted all new memberships. Motion carried.

### Finance Reports:

Post Accounts: *(Available at the post for viewing by members.)*

### Correspondence Report:

- Interfaith Hospitality Network is having a fundraiser at Applebee's. Take in the coupon on specified dates and 10% of check will go the IHN. Will post.
- Advertisement from a band that has played other Veterans organizations. Will post.
- Project Women is having a fundraiser dinner. Will post for those who may want to attend.
- Military mail gram from Friends of Our Troops. They gather cards for troops for Christmas and Valentine's Day. Would be good project. Will pass onto the Auxiliary and Juniors.
- Bowling tournament for charity. Will post.
- Veteran's Transitions Inc. in Chillicothe, basically do what our career centers do, requesting a donation. No donation as they are a competitor.
- Patriot Paws, provides guide dogs for veterans. AMVETS gives to another organization, Paws for a Cause, that does the same thing. No donation at this time.
- Request from USO for donation. Recently gave, no donation at this time.
- Thank you letter from the Thomlinson family for our donation to Karlee's cart.
- Thank you from Department of Veterans Affairs for last VA Visit.
- Organization selling T-shirts that can be personified with Post info. Could use for a fundraiser. No motion made to use.
- Another T-shirt company selling T-shirts for fundraiser. No motion made to use.
- Application for Cold War Recognition certification will be available in Canteen.
- Dayton National Cemetery Support Committee is seeking funds to replace the chain link fence with wrought iron fence surrounding the Dayton National Cemetery adjacent to the VA Hospital. Project is mostly complete just need funds to complete installation.
- Motion made by Doughman to accept correspondence report, seconded by Ault and motion carried.

## **REPORT OF OFFICERS:**

### **First Vice:**

- Still need to put out a tip board to give away a life membership (\$135). Discussion we have only 31 annual memberships so would not have many participates so extend that to have the winner have \$135 to apply towards their organizations life membership or they can give it away to someone else to have a life membership. This was approved at a previous meeting so no vote needed.

### **Second Vice:**

- Next VA Visits is Oct 23. Working with a company so they will have a chicken wing box. Would like to see more people go. Only four members from 25 went on last visit.

### **Third Vice:**

- September 25 – 1<sup>st</sup> District Corn Hole Tournament at Post 25. \$10 entry fee. Discuss on food, entertainment, etc. No deadline. Breakfast at 8am. 100% payout. Need volunteers to help. Beer will on sell outside before bar opens.

### **Adjunct:**

- New Guidebooks will be available at the Fall Conference. Only one is provided free to the post. Motion made and carried to purchase 11 guidebooks at \$6 each.
- Upper Valley Mall – Community Day – August 28 – Have reserved table and need volunteers to man. Will do membership drive, provide information on the Career Center, and sell white clovers. Motion made and carried to purchase a box of 1,000 White Clovers for the Post to sell at this and future events.
- Birthday list has been replaced, a white board purchased and now on display.

**Judge Advocate:** None

**Provost Marshall:** None

### **Trustees:**

- Drink chips are coming back. They will issued to a bartender and will be held in their drawer. The chips will each carry a dollar value and be used like cash. If they present a draft chip, worth \$1, and want a top-shelf drink they will need to kick in the remaining \$1.50 in cash.

### **Career Center:**

- Recently had two students get certified in SolidWorks, a 3-D drafting program, that AI got copies to use as a teaching tool from the company to help make these vets more employable.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- Kitchen: Has had its final health inspection. We can use it. Still have a few minor things to finish up like trim and higher watt light bulbs. Also, need to move equipment over from Career Center basement. Will be reissued a permit to sell food.
- Walnut tree: Still looking for a company to take it down and pay us for the lumber.
- 2012 State Golf Tournament bid: have talked to course and still gathering all the information to submit bid. Should have the final information gather in the next few weeks so we can put in a bid at the State Fall Conference. Discussed whether or not we can bring our own beer or not, need to nail that down ASAP.
- Fall Conference in Beachwood, Ohio: Need to know who is going so can be registered as delegates this week. We are allowed five delegates in addition to the Commander, Post Adjutant, and past State Officers. Sending eight AMVETS: Bob Kapp, Dana Kapp, Tom Doughman, Sam Pierce, Sara Welsh, Kay Crawford, Mark Crawford, and Brad Bagford. Cost of registration is \$15 each and five rooms for \$182.10 each for the two nights (Friday and Saturday night). Was voted on at the July meeting.
- The Auxiliary has turned over all the DD214s they held to the Post. The Sons have not. Will talk further with the Sons Commander to make this happen.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- VA Mobile van will be here Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- If someone is the final stages of cancer and need hospice care they do not need to go through eligibility application just contact Kathy Hayes directly for admission.
- Community Day at the Mall yield \$22 for White Clover sale with three volunteers.
- Sign into the city that hold organizational signs on the east and west of Route 40 do not have an AMVETS sign on them. Motion made by Ault to procure two signs for the signboards at a cost of no more than \$200. Doughman seconded. Motion carried.

- Discussion on projects previously brought forward the floor but no time line or priority set for them. Roof, venting, and siding on front of building, new larger monitor, resealing parking lot, parking blocks replaced, front of Career Center, etc. Also, need to consider the cost and where the money comes from.
  - Roof – got one bid was waiting on a second bid. Will call for another bid. Both included front siding installed.
  - Put off resealing parking lot and parking blocks since winter is when they get messed up.
  - Rob and Bob will investigate if we pull some money out of the CDs when we split them and look at the up-coming bills to determine how much we have to complete these projects.
- Need to call insurance company with how much liquor and food we sell because the cost of our policy will most likely go up soon and take Sam off as the contact.
- FBLA students from ITT that have been going with us to the VA are asking for hole sponsorship for a fundraiser golf tournament on September 25 that they will hold to raise money for a veteran's daughter who has leukemia as well as food donations. Motion made by D. Kapp to donate \$100 to sponsor a hole at the tournament and purchase potato salad as well. Pierce amended the motion to give it all in a cash donation of \$150.00 to cover both hole sponsor and food, seconded by Ault. Motion carried. Sara Welch will present the check to at the tournament.
- Discussed purchasing a brochure holder of some type for the sign-in counter. No motion needed as it falls under office supplies.
- October 30 – Halloween party for adults. Do we want entertainment? Do we want food? Ask Mary Barber if she will do it for free?
- District is investigating charging .25 dues for each Post member, in District by-laws to charge but have not been collecting for last few years.
- Post Officer Training will be held on November 13 at Post 2003 in Kettering. Open to anyone interested in holding a post office.
- Post member brought up questions about how we pay bartenders and another returning the ticket sales to how we did it before; both matters for the Board of Trustees meeting not the general membership meeting. Commander reiterated that all post meetings with the exception of the Executive Board are open to the general membership and advised the members to bring their concerns for the operation of the canteen before the Board of Trustees at their next meeting.
- Career Center lease needs modified to lower their rent. Will hold a Career Center Board meeting on Thursday night (Sept. 23) at 7pm.
- Question of when the Finance Committee will audit the books as it must be done once a year. It was last done in March 2010 so none needed at this time.
- The Auxiliary and Sons are to provide financial reports once a year to the Post Finance Officer and they have not. The Commander will talk with both.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

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| • Sep 25 – 1 <sup>st</sup> District Corn Hole Tournament | • Oct 23 – Dayton VA Visit            |
| • Oct 2 – VA Mobile Van                                  | • November 13 – Post Officer Training |

#### **ADJOURN:**

- Motion made by Kapp to adjourn meeting, seconded by Ault. Meeting adjourned at 8:38 pm, Colors retired.