

AMERICAN LEGION HARDING POST 113
1251 Ring Road
Elizabethtown, Kentucky 42701
Minutes Executive Committee Meeting, 11 April 2017

Commander John Saunders opened meeting at 6:00 pm with appropriate ceremonies. **Page 1 of 2**

Members absent; SAL Cdr, Steve Curry / Child Welfare Officer, Airborne Cook / Asst Sgt at Arms, Glen Walters

Chaplain, Bill Roberts: Remember those persons in prayer who are listed in the Bugler.

Management, Stephen Stewart: Post will be closed on Easter Sunday, 16 Apr.

- Reviewed the calendar of events.
- Monday, 17th of Apr, the hard wood floors within the main hall will be redone. No chairs allowed on the floor until 2 Apr.

1st Vice Commander, Joe Garrett: Membership goal for 2017 is 1,384. Current membership is at 1,220 with 15 more members pending bringing the count to 1,235 for 89%.

- 25 scholarship applications have been received.
- Encouragement was given to those who preside over the various membership support teams to continue toward our membership goals.

Adjutant, Randy Harris: Discussed the Bugler newsletters that are returned and the need for the various legion families to update the email labels.

2d Vice Commander, Denzil Lyle: A "Spring Cleanup" is being planned and what needs to be cleaned/fixed will be determined (much outside work needed). The Boy Scouts can take care of the shrubs. It was suggested to put together a committee to assist with the various projects. The date selected is 13th of May in conjunction with the ALA breakfast.

Finance Officer, Brian Knoch: No outstanding bills – all are paid up to date.

- Provided a balance sheet and a profit and loss report.
- The building loan is at \$43,369.
- Discussion centered on determining the criteria and control measures for organizations requesting contributions from the legion.

Publicity Officer, Beverly Watkins: Articles are due by 22 April, Saturday at noon.

Athletic Officer, Steve Schafer: There were eight BCT graduations that were recognized by the legion.

- The Legion golf tournament is scheduled for August 5th.

ALR Director, Mike Appleby: The flags have been received for the legion flag pole. Discussion centered on the POW/MIA flag and placement and further research will be sought prior to hoisting the flags.

ALA President, Diane Kennedy: There was good turnout for the monthly ALA breakfast. Request volunteers for the May 13th breakfast and for the Poppies distribution.

- Breakfast is being planned for the May 27th, Bikes, Blue and Bar-b-que event.
- Girls State information program is scheduled for May 23, 5:00pm at the legion.

Mark Kennedy, Nominating Committee Chair: All elected positions have a candidate who is running.

Old Business, Commander John Saunders:

- Post Everlasting is scheduled for the May general membership meeting – the names were reviewed.
- Membership appreciation night is scheduled for April 22d, invitation only. Legion families are asked to donate \$\$ toward the event. RSVP is required for those who are attending.
- Bartender training will be scheduled on two different dates.
- Hooray For Heroes is scheduled for May 20th. Flag pins have been ordered and a table will be set up.
- BBQ, Blues and Bikes is scheduled for May 27th. A booth will be available for the families to set up downtown. No pull tabs will be sold in the legion parking lot the day of the event. Breakfast will be served inside the legion and the ALR will park the cycles.
- Memorial Ceremony is scheduled for May 29th.
- Texas Hold'em is scheduled for April 1st with Open House – Volunteers are requested.
- Day of the Veteran is scheduled May 13th 2017 at Fun For All Motorsports, 12-4pm. Determination was made that no booth will be set up.
- Kentucky Boys State POC is Mark Kennedy.
- Next District Meeting is scheduled for May 20th (elections will be held).
- Legion Spring Cleanup is scheduled for 13th of May.

New Business:

- A pistol raffle is scheduled with only 1000 tickets being printed. Currently, a total of 286 have been signed out. 324 have been sold at \$1,630. Turn in money as it is received.
- Bingo volunteers requested. Commander is considering an Executive Committee Volunteer Coordinator. Consideration will be given to add this as part of the duty description.
- Need to look for an Information Technician to possibly be part of the Executive Board.
- The loan pay off goal will be met and consideration will be given toward donating to other worth organizations.
- A Veterans Day breakfast or lunch along with a craft show is being considered. Further review will be made with the ALA.
- At the convention there will be a hospitality room set up. The electronic pull tabs will be available and two volunteers will be needed to oversee.
- Finance Officer, Brian Knoch will review the flags in the shed to determine their condition and how many more are needed. The Boy Scouts are needed to support the effort of placing the flags in the cemetery.
- Discussion centered on placing the minutes of the Executive Committee and the General Membership meetings on the legion website instead of emailing them to members. The minutes for Mar 14th and Mar 28th were approved.
- The Radcliff Veterans Center Advisory is looking to local veterans organizations to help determine how funds will be spent. Two legion members will be selected to represent Post 113.
- A piano and planter boxes are requested to donate to the Radcliff Veterans Center.
- A tax donation receipt is available for any donations contributed to the post.

Good of the Legion:

- Next General Membership meeting scheduled May 4, 2017.
- The Exec Committee meeting has been cancelled for April 25th.

Meeting was adjourned with appropriate ceremonies.

ATTEST: Beverly Watkins, Publicity Officer

John Saunders, Commander