

AMVETS POST 25 MEETING MINUTES

JULY 13, 2009

PROCEEDINGS:

- Call to order at: 19:08
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll call of officers:

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

- Last month's minutes read and approved.

REPORTS:

New Membership Report: None.

Financial Officer Report:

- FULL FINANCIAL REPORT AVAILABLE AT THE POST.
- In the Trustee Meeting it was voted on to set a \$30.00 return check fee and a limit of \$50.00 for checks written by non-Post members.

Motion to accept financial report, second and motion carried.

Correspondence:

- Card from Grant Perks family thanking the Post for "expression of sympathy".
- 1st District Golf Tournament Information (Sat, July 25 in Tipp City) – will post, post will pay if team(s) formed
- Official letter from National AMVETS on the number of delegates can vote at convention (will have 4)
- Transfer request out of Post 25 from Charles Reynolds. Letter given to 1st Vice to remove from Post rolls.

Motion to accept correspondence report, second and motion carried.

Adjutant Report:

- Newsletter
 - Draft copy circulated for review.
 - Will be last mailing. Future copies available only in canteen and online. Too costly to mail.
 - Still need one more article.
 - Will be bi-monthly.

Service Officer Report:

- VA Hospital Visit and Post Hop (Saturday, October 3):
 - Post plans to rent bus so do not have to worry about driving.

- Sign-up sheet will be posted.

Career Center Report:

- Career Center:
 - Our Post is #1 in the Nation!
 - Career Centers are subject to audits and are being monitored closely for responsible use of the gaming money. State started with "F" centers but will be auditing all over the next year or so by the IRS and State Attorney General's Office.

Motion to accept all reports, second and motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Building addition and renovations:
 - Are currently unable to begin planned additions due to learning of the need to install a sprinkler system in the building. Our occupancy is over the new limit set by law.
- Sons Unit:
 - Are to be revalidated by August 1, 2009. If not done will be suspended.
 - Unclear if it has be done or not.
- Additional tables and chairs:
 - Still need to be purchased, cost shared between Post and Career Center.
- Fulton School:
 - Cost of \$400.00 for pizza and drinks for the kids on their last day of school.
- Gift card was given to Chuck Reid
- Still discussing building a trophy case for both the Post and Career Center.
- Publicity:
 - Check with The Springfield Paper on how to submit news to them. Adjutant has for action.
- Updating plaques for deceased. Will be looking to reorganize when new addition done.
- Yard Care:
 - Will hopefully salvage the top soil from the front and put in the back.
- Planning for holidays:
 - Need to keep better track.
 - Need more coordination between Post, Auxiliary and Sons.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Ladies Auxiliary:
 - They are their own organization and we cannot get involved in their business or their office.
- Post Meeting:
 - Due to four of the Post's officers will be at the National Convention for the regularly scheduled meeting on August 10 a motion was and carried to move the meeting to August 17.
- Career Center checking account:
 - Learned at recent convention that the Career Center is to be run as a separate entity.
 - We need to transfer the checking account to Al's control but have two party checks with Al and Rob.
 - Financial report will still be given by Rob.
- Member Appreciation Day (August 8):
 - Members and spouses only, NO guests.
- Donation:

- Sam donated \$100 on our behalf to help get a family to DC to see their son recently returned from the war.
- National Convention:
 - Motion was made to give members spending money for convention.
 - Will be handed through the Career Center
- Hair for Kids with Cancer
 - At summer convention, we agreed to pay \$200 toward this effort.
- Renovations to Career Center building:
 - Estimate for \$3,900.00.
 - Porch, siding, painting, railing, and ADA ramp.
- Renovation and Addition to Post:
 - Estimate for work is now at \$121,325.00 not including kitchen equipment of \$11,000.
 - Bank has estimates and everything they need to approve a loan for \$150,000 construction loan. Will not have to pay on what we do not use. Collateral is on both buildings.
 - Motion made and seconded to move ahead with the loan and project.
- National AMVETS Directory:
 - Copied received will be placed in canteen.
- Flag Burning:
 - Will look to do on Flag Day next year if there is interest.
 - Dayton VA reuses the brass gathered in the process for firing at military funerals.
- Meetings:
 - National Convention:
 - August 9-15, New Orleans, LA
 - Four Post members and two Auxiliary members will be attending.
 - Next District meeting:
 - July 29 in Dayton; leaving at noon from Post.

ADJOURN:

- Colors retired
- Meeting adjourned.