



SgtMaj Ralph E. Gibbs, Jr. VFW Post 7041

Minutes of meeting: - December 11, 2010

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David Spensley - Post Adjutant

The meeting was called to order at **1002 hours** by Sr. Vice Commander Gene Berbaum.

Roll Call of Officers

Roll call was taken and properly annotated.

Reading of the Minutes

The posted Minutes of November 13th were read. There were no additions or corrections and Sr. Vice Commander Berbaum approved the minutes as read.

Report from the Quartermaster:

Total fund monthly activity.

Started with:	\$	33,958.81
Took in:		39,979.80
Spent:		31,495.75
Total fund balance:	\$	42,442.86

(Figures as of 11/30/10)

Rentals have been going well and all weekends are rented in the month of December.

Report of the Service Officer

Service Officer. Finishing up on one request from last month. Chapter 70 of the American Legion in Escondido has lost their Service Officer and they are going to refer their people to our Post for now.

Comrade or a Family Member of a Comrade in Distress:

Nancy Rivera is in the Hospital. Bob Rivera has gone down to see her.

Committee Reports

Report VOD/Patriots Pen Committee

VOD - Gene Berbaum and Dave Spensley attended the VOD/Patriots Pen award banquet on December 4th. While our entrant did not place this year, there were many excellent entries with a most impressive winner.

Buddy Poppy

Poppy Chairman Jerry Moore reported he has taken in \$250.00 this month bring our total sales to \$5163.00 after costs. We surpassed last year with 40 more boards. This increase is mainly due to the separate mailing this year. We plan to go out again in early 2011 to Wal-Mart, Camp Pendleton and Albertsons. Requests have been sent to all 3 with Camp Pendleton confirming April 2nd and 3rd plus the 16th and 17th of 2011.

Reading of Membership Applications

There were two new applications this month.

Thomas Aristano Jr, and Chadron Scurry.

A motion was made by Roger Loiselle and Seconded by Jeff Simmons to accept these applications. No discussion, the motion passed.

Draping of the Charter

The Charter was draped in memory of the passing of Comrade George Willie Sioss.

Remember our National Home

Our National home was remembered at 1020 hours.

Committee reports (continued)

Membership. Roger Loiselle reported our membership is now at 91.4% which is up 2% from last month.

House Committee. Roger reported we will be posting signs throughout the post reminding everyone to curb the use of foul language which has been on the increase lately.

The kitchen hours and dining room closing hours on Tuesday and Friday night will change from 7:30 PM to 7 PM. effective March 1st. This is due to a lack of business in that last half hour.

The house committee is looking into adding some additional recessed lighting in the dining area filling in some areas where the overhead lamps on dimmers are not covering the tables adequately. Proposals are being examined to determine the scope of work and who will be doing the work and how much it will cost.

Roger Loiselle made a motion and seconded by David Spensley to add Jerry Moore and Memo Hernandez to the House committee. Call for discussion there was none, Motion passed.

Unfinished Business

No unfinished business was brought up at this time.

New Business

No new business was brought up at this time.

Good of the Order

The proposed work in the back room dining area was discussed. We would like to use the dome lamps slightly dimmed to make the evening dining area a more pleasant experience and yet be able see what is on your plate. Three additional dome lights are required to balance the lighting. Roger Loiselle explained the proposed work in detail with Tim Sobeliski, John Perales and Will Gubbins who expressed their interests in this project. This project is in the planning stage at this time.

Quartermaster Dave Spensley had 3 requests for donations and sponsorships sent to us this month.

1. Vista Softball Team and request for sponsorship for 2011 for \$419. Dave Spensley made a motion we sponsor the team and was seconded by Freddie Sisario. A discussion followed to split the costs with the Ladies and Men's auxiliary and Cooties. Due to the time line of the request, it was recommended we approve the request at this time and solicit the difference from the other groups. There was no further discussion, the motion passed.

2. Vista High School Baseball Boosters to sponsor a hole at their Golf tournament. A motion was made by Dave Spensley and seconded by John Perales to give the Vista High School Baseball Boosters \$100 to sponsor a hole at their golf tournament. A detailed discussion followed. Call for vote, the motion passed with one nay vote.

3. The VFW National Home wrote to us for additional support for general maintenance at the home. A request for \$100 to \$300 to help covered some of these maintenance needs is requested. [A motion was made by Freddie Sisario and seconded by Roger Loiselle that we donate \\$200 to the VFW National home for maintenance needs. Motion passed.](#)

Bob Poulin spoke on behalf of the MOC PT 40. The last Cootie Golf tournament and the Steak and Lobster dinner fund raisers netted just over \$6000. Distribution of these funds are as follows: \$2000 to Veterans Home for Vets living in the home for movies etc. \$2000 to VA in La Jolla for inpatients bingo and food farm etc., and \$2000 to the Wounded Warriors at Camp Pendleton. Plus \$500 to the National Home Christmas party.

The regular business meeting closed at **1043 hours**.

The next regular meeting will be held on
Saturday, 8 January 2011 at 1000 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

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