

## 25Aug2022 American Legion Post 49 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Post Commander John Barkley called the 25Aug2022 American Legion Post 49 Meeting to order at 1604, conducted the opening ceremony and declared the meeting of Edward W. Thompson Post No. 49 open for business

**Adjutant: Roll Call: Cmdr. John Barkley, 1st Vice Cmdr. Earl Lash, 2nd Vice Cmdr Jim Addressi, Adjutant Bob Dargis, Finance Officer Tom Dryer, Judge Advocate Jason Turner, Sgt. at Arms Art Farmer, Chaplain Larry Girard, Service Officer John McCormack, Service Officer and SAL Commander Steve Hamilton, Historian Jim McCloughan, Trustee Bruce Thatcher, Trustee Patrick Whitlatch, Trustee Willie Reinhardt, Trustee Chuck Aubrey, Ordnance Officer Mike Andruch, Club Manager Laura Lambert, Auxiliary Vice President Linda Teeter, Member Guy Cherry**  
**Quorum (of at least 5 AL members) present**

**Previous Meeting Minutes dated** 28July2022 reviewed/approved

**Meeting purpose reminder.** Review recommendations from committees (including the Club Operations Committee), adopt those recommendations that are judged to be useful for the successful operation management of the post, and present major recommendations/changes to the general Membership Mtg for member approval.

### **Business**

#### **- Current account status approved as shown below:**

- Account status for 25Aug2022 including donations that have not been expensed for purpose.
- Quickbooks: July2022 \$16,255.94 with approx \$3,000 coming from 3July door recipes and incremental sales. The remainder of profit contributed by club operations performance.
- SAL current total funds available not reviewed but approx. \$19,000
- Aux current total funds available approx \$19,755
- Club Opn's Sub Committee report out and recommendations:
  - Calendar review for Sept/Oct2022
  - Laura identified significant savings of 25%-45% on large expense items such as egg mixture, coffee, soft drinks, other and was approved to open AL accounts at Gordon Foods and Sam's Club to capture savings for the AL.
  - Open to public bar dates 29 Aug and 3,10 Sept, others through end of year. Aux has 10 remaining Open Liquor License days
  - Shades for clubroom were suggested and prior rationale for not purchasing were reviewed
  - Mail handling file trays will be procured/placed in office for Aux, SAL, AL, Club Manager, Accounting Services, General Membership for quick distribution.
  - Cleaning contract will be reviewed by Laura and service company to insure common understanding of areas to be cleaned.

### **AL Events**

- AL Breakfast support for 28Aug
- Hall rental and 1Sep funeral honors salute at legion for Army veteran St. James at 1800.
- Veteran ceremony at Masonic Hall (321 Center St) Friday 1800 with Tacos at the Post 19Aug2022 followed by salute on South Pier 1200 20Aug - after action report rescheduled for when Bruce Thatcher can attend..

### **SAL Events**

- Thursday steak nights will discontinue. Will be removed from Facebook and Post website.
- 636 members with 421 paid this year, 135% of target

## **Aux Events**

- More than 700 members, more than 100%
- Are in the process of identifying donation recipients including a \$500 scholarship for Girls State candidate Serenity Smith.
- Supporting monthly Fish-fry and Breakfast

## **Other Business**

- Flag disposal - Currently looking for municipal incinerator for our use but in the interim will continue using burn barrels at fire department
- Afghanistan/Iraq memorial status- 50% payment made and dog tags delivered to Mike Kiefer.
- Maintenance items. Mike mentioned that new gaskets purchased for kitchen sink replacement.
- Donation process reviewed, initial target of \$10,000 suggested and will start with recipients from last year.
- 11Sept requirements highlighted started with Color/Honor Guard detachment meeting at 1100, salute starting at 1200 and followed by lunch for all present. Draft announcement completed for facebook, paper and radio announcement use.

## **Next meetings:**

- Membership Mtg 1900 **8Sept2022**. Note this is change because of a conflict with Military Honors Service and associated hall rental
- Club Operations Com.1530, Exec Com. Mtg 1600 29Sept2022

## **2022 days to remember:**

### **September**

Labor Day Sep 5, V-J Day Sep 2, **Patriot Day Sep 11**, Air Force Birthday Sep 18, Air National Guard Birthday Sep 18, National POW/MIA Recognition Sep 16, Gold Star Mother's Day Sep 25, VFW Day Sep 29,

### **October**

Columbus Day Oct 10, **Navy Birthday Oct 13**, Day of the Deployed Oct 26, Halloween Oct 31,

### **November**

Daylight Savings Time Ends Nov 6, Election Day Nov 8, **Marine Corps Birthday Nov 10**, **Veterans Day Nov 11**, **Larry Carlson Memorial Thanksgiving Dinner Nov 20**, Thanksgiving Day Nov 24,

### **December**

Civil Air Patrol (USAF Auxiliary) Birthday Dec 1, **Pearl Harbor Day Dec 7**, National Guard Birthday Dec 13, National Wreaths Across America Dec 18, Christmas Dec 25, New Year's Eve December 31

Post commander John Barkley declared meeting of Edward W. Thompson South Haven Post No. 49 Adjourned at 1715.

Respectfully,  
John Barkley for  
Bob Dargis, Adjutant  
American Legion Post 49

**American Legion Post 49 Finance Report**

**Account balance as of 8/22/2022 for Executive Committee Meeting on 8/25/2022**

Account Name	Current Balance	Purpose	Target Balance
General Operating	\$54,788.35	Daily Club Operations incl maintenance, \$3,000 Vietnam Wall, \$2,000 Raffle	\$35,000
Building Fund	\$6,338.55	Capital spending (from Depreciation, Other)	\$40,000
Pull Tab	\$20,244.48	Pull Tab Machine repair/replacement	\$6,000
KENO	\$32,833.11	MI Lottery KENO payouts	\$5,000
Breakfast Fund	\$18,268.29	Breakfast revenue. Payout scheduled Nov.	\$2,000
Membership	\$14,151.90	Membership dues for donation/support/recruitment	\$7,000
Veterans	\$23,906.44	Direct support for Veterans/Families	\$20,000
Uniform	\$3,530.06	Color/Honor Guard Uniforms	\$4,000
Bank CD	\$5,397.41	Total CD Balance	\$5,000
<b>Total Funds Available</b>	<b>\$179,458.59</b>	<b>Total American Legion Funds Available for spending</b>	<b>\$124,000</b>

**Monthly Profit & Loss for July 2022**

Revenue	\$62,374.54	
Total Expenses	\$46,125.82	
Net Income	\$16,255.94	

Donation received through July 2022

Date(Owner)	Amount	Assigned
Latchaw Family	\$200.00	Uniform Account
4Nov2021	\$300.00	War On Terror Display
(Josh Gunneson)	\$164.41	Future Archery classes