

**AL Post 49 Membership Meeting Minutes**  
**4 June 2020**

Commander Jason Turner conducted **Opening Ceremonies** starting at 1900 and ordered roll call.

**Adjutant Roll Call: Cmdr. Jason Turner, 1st Vice Cmdr. John Barkley, 2nd Vice Cmdr Sean Russell, Adjutant Tom Breen, Finance Officer Chuck Aubrey, Sgt. at Arms and SAL Cmdr. Earl Lash, Judge Advocate Stan Wakild, Trustee Tom Dryer, Trustee Glen Higgs, Club Manager Heather Hahn, Chaplain and Service Officer Larry Girard, Service Officer Steve Hamilton, Member Jed Fall, Historian (Art) Sergio Orozco, Ordnance Officer Mike Andruch, Member Jim Addressi, Member Guy Cherry, Member Willy Reinhardt, Member Bruce Thatcher. Auxiliary Pres. Billie Coone, Auxiliary Sgt at Arms Linda Teeter**  
**Quorum** (of at least 5 legion members) **present.**

**Reading of last meeting minutes.** 5March 2020 minutes approved as written.

**Introduction of guest(s):** American Legion Regional (Zone 2) Commander Richard Parks

**Committee reports**

**1. Finance:**

- Funds available reported as \$57,616 and accepted subject to audit.
- Jan2020 performance \$4,851 loss, July-Jan2020 performance \$10,268 loss vs \$15,663 loss last year.
- Donations for July2019-Jan2020 \$17,140 this year vs \$25,264 last year.

**2. Adjutant:**

- CPR will be submitted NLT than 12 Jun 2020.
- Working directly with Filbrandt and DL Miller funeral homes to solicit list of families that would like to have AL Honor Guard services in the future. Nine (9) identified to date, three (3) from Filbrandt, five (5) from DL Miller and one (1) from St Joseph. A suggestion to conduct a group service either at cemetery or Post location placed on hold until more learned about individual family wishes.

**3. New Members/Applications:**

- 6 new members recruited since last meeting; names to be circulated next meeting.
- Currently 33 PUFL and 131 on-line with 572 total members.

**4. Service Officers.**

- Steve reported currently working with two new service families and has created documentation for each.
- Quinn family fund raising was a great success. Approximately \$1,500 given to family previously and a further \$3,000 will be paid by SAL in the near future so that the family does not have to wait for the return of can/bottle deposits.
- Gary Easterling visits put on hold, to be rescheduled at a later date.

**5. Club Operations.**

- June/July calendar not available/reviewed.
- Walk-in cooler inop. Pro-Temp diagnosed the failure earlier as compressor failure and have scheduled replacement.
- Restocking of food/beverages announced to support Monday opening.
- Staff training scheduled this Sunday for new Covid 19 related requirements.
- King of Diamonds license expired 26March, approved previously for 6 month extension and will be renewed ASAP.

-Friday dinners expected to start Friday 12 June hosted by SAL. A list of current restrictions/requirements was forwarded to SAL (Steve) after the meeting for his planning consideration and will be further discussed Tuesday 9 June during the regular SAL meeting.

-Sunday breakfasts expected to start 14 June hosted by SAL using new requirements.

### **Installation**

Regional Commander Richard Parks Installed the new 2020 AL Executive Committee and Trustee Officers as announced earlier: Cmdr. Jason Turner (Trustee 2021), 1st Vice Cmdr. John Barkley, 2nd Vice Cmdr. Guy Cherry, Adjutant Tom Breen, Finance Officer Sean Russell, Sgt. at Arms and SAL Cmdr. Earl Lash (Trustee 2021), Judge Advocate Stan Wakild, Chaplain and Service Officer Larry Girard, Historian (Art) Sergio Orozco, Trustee Tom Dryer (2023), Trustee Larry Girard (2023), Trustee Chuck Aubrey (2022), Trustee Willie Reinhardt (2022)

### **6. Family Meetings - AL**

-Can drive success.

-1 Nov district meeting Post 49, Aux will support luncheon.

### **7. Family Meetings - SAL**

-Can drive success.

-Plan to share best practices from being first to host breakfasts/dinners under new regulations/requirements.

### **8. Family Meetings - Aux**

**Sick call** Dick Kennedy passed.

### **Unfinished business**

-Clubroom floor replacement complete.

-Legion logo exterior signage above entryway installed.

-Mechanical stuffed animal game removal approved (action Heather).

-Bruce contributed a Vietnam memorial print for framing. Up to \$200 authorized for framing cost (action Tom).

-Donated tank photo from Mr. Hugh Buck, Post 28; restoration recommendation (action Chuck).

-Earl contributed a war-on-terror book, National Commander picture/certificate to Post from Winter Meeting.

All were reported to be in current office area.

-Bruce suggested installing electronic sign previously fence but his investigation of current (zoning/regulatory) ordinances verified that it is currently not allowed.

-New meeting strategy reviewed although still confusion without calendar review.

-King of Diamonds license will be renewed for six months. The need to sell additional tickets to achieve a break even business case announced.

### **New Business**

-Salute to Veterans weekend cancelled including Mason's ceremony, fishing, and Flywheelers. Bruce Thatcher announced however that the remaining element would be a flyover by the Hooligans, tentatively scheduled for 12 noon and will be supplemented by the AL Guard ceremonial performance in honor of Veterans/families and first responders including medical professionals dealing with Covid 19.

-New Signature Authority for Sturgis bank accounts/checks was approved for all Post 49 accounts, retaining Commander Jason Turner, Adjutant Tom Breen and (new) Finance Officer Sean Russell, while removing prior finance officer Chuck Aubrey from all accounts.

-Next meeting 2 Jul 2020

-Sean will request that shrink rap be removed from the Tiki bar

-Sean also investigating services that will dispose of returnable can/bottle containers in return for a split of the deposit money.

-Guy Cherry may invite an electrician to the post to provide an estimate cost for replacing remaining incandescent lighting with LED.

**Communication & Donations** Individual donations thru Jan 2020 \$17,140 this year vs \$25,264 last year.

**Memorial to a departed post member** Ceremony for draping the AL Charter for Dick Kennedy scheduled for 2July.

**For The Good of The American Legion.**

**Closing.** The commander conducted closing ceremonies and ended the meeting at 2025.

Respectfully,  
John Barkley for  
Tom Breen, Adjutant  
American Legion Post 49

