



General Membership Meeting Minutes January 4, 2023

Meeting was called to order by First Vice-Commander Suzzie Thomas at 6:30 P.M. The standard opening ceremony was conducted.

Adjutant Allen Iott called the roll of Officers and Executive Committee members. Called for a quorum were:

Post Officers:

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| 1. Commander, Howard Gravely | Excused |
| 2. 1 st Vice Commander, Suzzie Thomas | Present |
| 3. 2 nd Vice Commander | VACANT |
| 4. Judge Advocate, Fred Vasquez | Absent |
| 5. Adjutant, Allen G. Iott | Present |
| 6. Finance Officer, Carlos Mendez | Present |
| 7. Service Officer, Eddie Tello | Absent |
| 8. Historian, Joe Sanchez | Excused |
| 9. Sgt-At-Arms, Tod Griffin | Present |
| 10. Asst Sgt-At-Arms, Daniel Rodriguez | Present |
| 11. Chaplain | VACANT |

Post Executive Committee Members:

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| 1. Dan Almendarez | Present |
| 2. Roanna Escamilla-Mayer | Absent |
| 3. Albert Mireles | Present |
| 4. Michael Knott | Excused |
| 5. VACANT | |

There being 9 of 13 current members of the Executive Committee present a quorum was present to conduct business.

General Membership minutes and Executive Committee minutes were provided via email and at the post website. A motion was presented by Todd Griffin and seconded by Dan Rodriguez to approve minutes. Motion was voted upon and passed.

The following guests were in attendance: None.

The following members were voted in: Transfers from TX Post 345: Guillermo Barrera, Pauline Kline, Antonio Pesina, Felix Campos, Santiago Bueno and Jollyn Hilliard. Motion by Dan Rodriguez and seconded by Todd Griffin to accept the new members into Alamo Post 2. Motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

First Vice Commander reported that the goal for the Post for 2023 is 631. Currently renewals are 520 with a renewal rate of 82% of goal.

Second Vice Commander VACANT

Finance Officer Net balance in general fund of \$5,279.83 and in the building fund \$1,731.09. He also explained the daily sales log that he maintains and invites anyone who has questions to come see the books. The following motions were made:

A motion by Allen Iott and seconded by Dan Rodriguez to establish a checking account for the Scout units chartered by the Post under the Post EIN and through Jefferson Bank with the Commander, Adjutant and Finance Officer with check signing authority. Motion passed.

A motion by Carlos Mendez and seconded by Dan Rodriguez to establish a checking account for the Sons of American Legion Alamo Squadron 2 under the Post EIN and through Jefferson Bank with the Commander, Adjutant and Finance Officer with check signing authority. Motion passed.

A motion by Carlos Mendez and seconded by Todd Griffin to transfer the funds of American Leaders Alamo Unit 2 from Randolph Federal Credit Union and establish checking account under the Post EIN and through Jefferson Bank with the ALR Finance Officer, Post Finance Officer, Adjutant and Post Commander with check signing authority. Motion passed.

Adjutant reported that the 20th District Oratorical will be held at Alamo Post 2 on 7 January 2023 starting at 0900. All members were invited to see how an oratorical contest is held. He also reminded members to renew their dues now so that they will not receive dues notices down the line.

Chaplain: The following members are sick and request to be kept in our thoughts and prayers: Commander Howard Gravely; Joe Sanchez and wife Mary and Louie Gomez and his wife.

Judge Advocate No Report

Post Service Officer: No report.

Historian No report

Standing Committees:

Building and House Committee Chairman: reported that the canteen will open on Friday 6 January from 2000 to 2400 hrs.

Budget and Finance Committee Chairman No report

Color Guard No report

Scouting: Cub Scout Pack 2 is up and running and doing well. The Pack held an awards and rank advancement on 14 December 2022 at Wilson Elementary.

The Post was approached by District Scout Executives about a cub scout pack (Pack 555 and a troop (Troop 132) which were dropped by their current charter organizations and the Post was requested to consider chartering the two scout units. Motion made by Allen Iott and seconded by Todd Griffin to charter Pack 555 and Troop 132 under Alamo Post 2 and pay the \$200.00 charter fee for both units. Motion passed.

There will be a pinewood derby workshop for Pack 2 and Pack 555 on 14 and 28 January at Alamo Post 2 from 0900 to 12 noon. Everyone is invited to come and help the Cub Scouts build their pinewood derby car.

There will be a Pinewood derby competition on 19 February 2023 from 1300 – 1500 for the two Cub Scout packs to compete at Alamo Post 2.

Sons of the American Legion (SAL): reported that there will be an organizational meeting in February TBD.

Legion Rider Chairman reported that they are still re-organizing the chapter.

Public Affairs/Hubmaster Committee Chairman No report.

Post Band: No report

OLD BUSINESS

The Alamo Post 2 New Years Eve Party was amazing and a resounding success with a net profit of \$4,750.00. Many thanks to all the volunteers and sponsors of raffle baskets.

NEW BUSINESS

First Vice-Commander reported that she received a resignation letter from Roanna Escamilla-Mayer from her position as Executive Committee Member.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE LEGION

Reminder that we are entering Hurricane season soon and that Disaster preparedness is under the American Legion pillar of National Security.

Joe Garza commended the First Vice-Commander Suzzie Thomas on her leadership during the December meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the First Vice-Commander offered the closing prayer.

The meeting was adjourned by the First Vice-Commander at 1945 hours.

Signed by Allen Iott, Alamo Post 2 Adjutant

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Allen Iott".