



## Executive Committee Meeting Minutes August 24, 2022

Meeting was called to order by Commander Howard Gravely 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                     | Present |
| 2. 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Commander, Suzzie Thomas | Present |
| 3. 2 <sup>nd</sup> 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                  | Present |
| 8. Historian, Joe Sanchez                        | Absent  |
| 9. Sgt-At-Arms, Tod Griffin                      | Present |
| 10. Asst Sgt-At-Arms, Daniel Rodriguez           | Present |
| 10. Chaplain                                     | VACANT  |

### Post Executive Committee Members:

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

There being 11 of 15 current members of the Executive Committee present a quorum was present to conduct business.

There were the following guests in attendance: James Cooper of Breyers & Sons roofing who brought an estimate to repair the roof on the ballroom with the total cost of \$18,500.00 for labor and materials. The payment plan would be \$5,000 down payment and \$1,000 per month until paid out (13.5 months). Includes a 10-year warranty.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**First Vice Commander** Renewals to date is 361 or 57.21% of 631 membership goal for 2023.

**Second Vice Commander** VACANT

**Finance Officer** reported that as of 24 August, the General fund balance is \$2,812.00 and the building fund balance is \$2,190.00. Curative rents a portion of the Post 2 parking lot to conduct COVID testing;

rent is \$1,200 per month and a rental check for \$3,000.00 is on the way. Going forward, the intention is to direct \$1,000 per month of the rental income toward the roof repair.

He proposed a mail out membership appeal of \$25.00 per member to assist in costs for various repairs on the roof and various electrical areas. Motion made by Michael Knott and seconded by Albert Mireles for a postal membership appeal to all members of Post 2. Motion passed.

**Adjutant** Reminded of the law concerning DV plates; unless license plate bears wheelchair insignia, blue placard must be displayed in front window when parking in a handicap parking space.

The 20<sup>th</sup> District Annual Golf tournament for the transportation for Boys State will be held on 18 September at the Fort Sam Houston Golf course. The Post is sponsoring a hole for the tournament.

The Texas Legion College will be held on 17 & 18 September 2022. Phase I and Phase II will be on Saturday and Phase three will be conducted on Sunday. Completion of Legion basic training is required to attend. Adjutant Iott taking names for Alamo Post 2 attendees.

There is a funeral mission for William Bahr, a 21-year member of the Post on Thursday 25 August 2022. A transfer to Post Everlasting will be presented to the next of kin.

**Judge Advocate** No Report

**Historian** No report

**Chaplain Report** VACANT

**Service Officer** reported that there will be a Veterans outreach and health fair at the Post on 5 November with mobile units and vendors.

Standing Committees:

**House Committee Chairman:** Motion made by Albert Mireles and seconded by Michael Knott for the Post to hold a Halloween chicken Saturday 29 October 2022 with Eddie Tello as chairman with various Post officers assisting. Motion passed.

There was discussion of a military ball in the future with a target date of Armed Forces Day in 2023 and possibly a Post sponsored Loteria fundraiser in the future.

Michael Knott briefed regarding expired fire extinguishers at the post and the need for additional extinguishers to adequately protect the post. USAA and the Insurance carrier to be contacted for possible funds or donations.

**Budget and Finance Committee Chairman** No Report

**Color Guard** Veterans Day parade in San Antonio on 12 November Saturday with Post band, color guard and phalanx of post members with WWII members in cars.

**Legion Rider Chairman** The riders are undergoing a re-organization and other District Rider chapters are offering assistance in the re-vitalization.

**Public Affairs/Hubmaster Committee Chairman:** There was discussion about the banner to be installed on front of building with the Post new logo with two bids (1) Dixie Flags with bid of \$1,510 installed and (2) SaSign Works delivered written bid of \$1,7500 installed for banner (15 oz material), full color, hemmed, and grommited. The original dimension was 10'x20' but it was determined that the actual size of the proposed area is 8'x20.' Updated bids will be taken from both and be revisited at a later meeting.

She is researching a texting initiative from National HQ with different payment plans. She will research further and bring it up for a vote at the September Executive meeting. Motion made by Dan Almandarez and seconded by Michael Knott to continue research on texting packages and report back to the Executive committee. Motion passed.

Requested newsletter topics from all members of the Executive Committee to inform and provide fresh items for our post members.

OPERATION Iraqi Freedom (OIF) ceremony scheduled for Saturday 27 August 2022 with doors open at 1200 and ceremony beginning 3:00 pm.

**Alamo Band Director:** Band is continuously practicing and in process of acquiring a trailer for the Veterans Day parade.

**Building and Grounds Committee Chairman** Discussion about flag retirement ceremonies outside of Flag Day.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Motion made by Suzzie Thomas and seconded by Albert Mireles to update the C&BL, including the addition of an amendment specifying guidelines for Bingo proceeds. Draft will be presented to the Executive Committee at the September meeting followed by first reading at the October General meeting and seconded reading and ratification at the November meeting. Motion passed.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE LEGION

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Executive Committee the Commander adjourned the meeting at 8:50 pm.