

VFW Post 10148

Meeting led by the Post Commander

Wednesday, September 16, 2020

6:00 - 7:17 PM

Key Takeaways:

- The meeting attendance was moderate: 11 Post members. Officers present: Commander, Senior Vice, Junior Vice, Quartermaster, One-Year Trustee, Two-Year Trustee. Quorum present.
- The Membership Chair presented one new application for membership. The applicant was approved for admission.
- The Quartermaster reported on the balances, receipts, and expenditures for all three Post accounts for August 2020. The total of accounts at the end of August is \$111,201.99. Additional details can be found in the Post minutes maintained at the Post.
- The Service Officer reported on plans to help a Veteran in need by supplying some furniture and other household goods.
- The Membership Chair reported using the Post-approved \$10 discount to assist a few members. Calls are being made to reach all expired or unpaid members. A chart from National was displayed showing our Post leading District 8 in retention and new members.
- The Programs Chair reported on the recent Post community events (beach cleanup, school supply drive, Labor Day cookout). The events were well-received and came in just slightly above the allotted budgets. The previously presented surf contest is currently on hold.
- The Facilities Committee Chair presented renovation status and the need to consider other ceiling finish textures due to the cost and the nature of our ceiling. This generated some discussion. The target date for the completion of the project is still November 11th (Veterans Day).
- The House Committee was reconstituted during this meeting with the Post Commander accepting volunteers to staff the Committee. The committee is seeking other volunteers to help with this important function. A proper liquor inventory and valuation was conducted which established the inventory at over \$11,000. The correct value replaces the erroneous \$400 value which has been on the books for years.

- A Post member requested a motion for reimbursement for some expenses totaling around \$800 dating back to August 2019. After some discussion the matter was tabled pending further review. The Senior Vice Commander asked the Quartermaster and Trustees to investigate the matter.

- Other discussions included the need to report all volunteer hours and funds spent in support of Post-approved projects. A Halloween party coordinated by the Auxiliary was also discussed. The need to keep our community involved in Post projects and the continuing need for transparency in Post decisions was also addressed.

- The Post Commander and others also discussed that the targeted-completion of the Post renovation in early November means we need to move on hiring and training employees. The House Committee will take this for action and provide employment recommendations to the Post membership.

- The next Post Monthly Meeting is **October 21st** at 6:00 PM.

These notes were compiled by Don Reott.