

REVISED 22 Feb 2025

Meeting Start: 1800 hours

Opening Ceremonies Completed

ROLL CALL:

Commander, Jeffrey Cambell – Present
First Vice, Brandon Lepp – Excused
Second Vice, Marcia Montgomery – Present
Chaplain, Richard Troutman – Present
Trustee, John McCown – Present
Trustee, Jack Coffey – Present
Trustee, Richard Milano – Present

Finance, Robert Peddicord – Present
Sergeant at Arms, Jeff Becker – Present
Communications, Barb Nelson – Present
Historian, Jerry McKee – Present
Past Commander, Tom Lynch – *Excused*
Past Commander, John Towsley – *Excused*
Quorum Established? Yes

24 Members Present

Motion to approve minutes from 18 December 2024 General Membership meeting: Yes

Seconded: Yes

Motion Passed: Yes

New Members:

- a. Gary from Vermont.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Membership: 817 members, goal of 764 by end of year 2024. 630 members are good through 2025, which is 84% of our goal (an increase of 8% since the last general meeting). 32 members have renewed in the last month. Members yet to renew are showing as “Grace Period” in national database.

Kitchen: Business as usual. Veterans are still coming in for breakfast and getting larger. Always looking for volunteers.

Finance: Robert reported that our insurance writer will stop covering policies such as ours. Two new insurance companies are being looked at. Hall rentals continue to bring in good profits for the Post during a normally slow time.

Building Superintendent: New stripe painting in the parking lot is being planned. New LED light bulbs were tested in the Hall with success. Future bulb replacement will be done as needed.

Communications: *Everything running well. Superbowl party will be advertised as the big game on all avenues.*

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

American Legion B.M.I. Post 40 General Membership Meeting

- 1) Shake a shift has returned with updated rules.
- 2) By-Law review: Proposed changes were read to the members. Binders will remain for review and will be voted on in February.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) The National Commander will be visiting / attending our general meeting on February 19th.
- 2) Drew Anderson announced that "Protect the Game" program will hold a training session for anyone interested in becoming an Umpire for baseball. This training will allow you to volunteer as umpires for Legion Baseball set to begin in a couple months. Contact any officer by this weekend to sign up.
- 3) New kitchen rules of use are being reviewed/ revised as needed.
- 4) Oratorical will be held at Cheyenne high school on Feb 1st. All volunteers are asked to show up at 08:30.
- 5) With the loss of two volunteer bartenders, we are looking for new volunteers. Revised responsibilities of the bar manager are also being looked at in response to complaints. We currently have 4 regular bartenders and 3 fill in / temp bartenders.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE LEGION:

- 1) Instances have been reported of disrespect happening in the Bar. An official reminder was given to all to respect both patrons and volunteers! If anything needs to be reported, the correct process is to report to the Bar Manager first. If a response/solution is not acceptable then report to the Eboard at the next available meeting or any officer as soon as possible.
- 2) A concern was brought up concerning the bar manager. Larry Magana is concerned about losing membership. He briefed that members were leaving and going to the eagles. Other members voiced their opinions both agreeing / disagreeing. Cmdr Campbell mentioned that some of these issues have already been brought to the Eboard attention and further investigation / action will be taken if needed. To date: No members have cancelled their membership at Post 40
- 3) Be the One: Commander Campbell revealed a friend of over 20 years had committed suicide this past week. This is a reminder to all about "Be The One" to make that call to any friend even for no reason. Just say Hello!

The meeting at this point has been adjourned with closing ceremonies at approximately 6:52pm with nothing further to discuss.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jeffrey D Campbell, Commander