



LEONARD W. KIDD
AMERICAN LEGION POST 2001
Minutes of Meeting
12 January 2017



Members in Attendance: David Austin, Michael Ball, Rick Carr, Ken Canterbury, Steacy Hicks, James Hinkle, Dennis Kellen, Norm Larson, Tim Lemaster, Chuck Loomis, Sam Meyers, Scott Morse, Frank Mullen, Bob O'Such, Greg Rhoades, Larry Rosenberger, Richard Ryan

General Meeting. The meeting was at the Ashburn Volunteer Fire Department.

Opening. Commander Chuck Loomis began the meeting at 1930 hours. The colors were posted prior to opening. Chaplain Hinkle delivered the opening prayer. Commander Loomis welcomed everyone to the new meeting venue.

Report of Officers.

Adjutant.

Post Minutes. The Adjutant presented the minutes from the November 2016 meeting, having been distributed earlier. There were no minutes for December 2016 since the holiday party took the place of the monthly meeting. A member moved to accept the minutes into the Post archives for the November 2016 meeting. The motion passed by voice vote.

Membership. The Adjutant reported that the Post was over 90 percent of the 2017 membership target.

Finance Officer. The Finance Officer, Richard Ryan, reviewed the budget and presented the finance report through 31 December 2016. A Legionnaire moved to accept the report into the archives of the Post, subject to audit. The motion was passed by a voice vote.

First Vice Commander. Comrade Bob O'Such provided a report on the Loudoun Salute, for 2017. Post will conduct a hot-wash on 24 January to review the 2016 Salute and start work on the 2017 Salute. Post needs Legionnaires to assist with the planning, fund raising, and execution of the event.

Fund Raising. Comrade Richard Ryan discussed our Post support to the local community and Veterans (both supporting the fundamental pillars of the American Legion) and raising monies for continued support of these important programs. Contact Comrade Ryan or the Adjutant if you can assist

Election of Officers for 2017. Comrade Larson noted that Post will begin the process to identify, nominate, and elect our officers for 2017 in the next month. If you are interested, contact Comrade Larson. This is a rewarding experience and there are many opportunities.

New Business.

Website. Commander Loomis discussed possible updates to our Post website. Thank you to Legionnaire Stan Wong for continued daily operation of the website. Stan is finishing a tour overseas with the US Air Force and will rotate back soon.



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Committees. Commander Loomis reviewed the committees needed for the coming year. They are:
Communications/Public Affairs – tentatively Comrade Mullen and Comrade LeMaster
Baseball - Open (if you like baseball, please let us know – our youth team needs a Legionnaire)
Poppies – Comrade Rosenberger
Boys/Girls State – Comrade Rhoades
Boy Scouts – Comrade Biggs
Adopt a Highway – Comrade Milberg
Veterans Day Activities – Open
Service Officers – Comrade Scalione and others (this is a great opportunity to help other Veterans – contact Joe Scalione or the Adjutant if you are interested.)

Mobility Vehicle Donation. Comrade Loomis gave an update on the ongoing work to support Dr. Ike Lans' donation of a mobility vehicle to a disabled Veteran. The vehicle will be donated to a deserving Veteran on 21 January at Post 162 in Lorton, Virginia. This brings to a successful conclusion efforts by our Post to support Ike Lans efforts to donate this vehicle. Doctor Lans is an Ashburn area dentist who has supported local Veterans and our Post for several years. Thank you to all who helped make this happen.

Flag Retirement Ceremony. Legionnaires discussed opportunities for flag retirement ceremonies in 2017. The community at Ashby Ponds has indicated they would like to host a ceremony. Comrade Loomis suggested that Post plan for a mid-May ceremony for the first half of 2017. Cub Scout Pack 1500 (sponsored by our Post) is assisting with picking up retired flags from the Home Owner Associations.

General Announcements.

Serving Together. Comrade Mike Ball discussed the Serving Together collaborative group of Veteran Service Organizations and other supporters of Veterans in Loudon County. A mental health first aid clinic is scheduled for 23 January by this group.

In Our Prayers. Comrade Dave Austin asked all our Legionnaires to keep Gerry Christeson in their prayers as he deals with a very serious health issue.

Cub Scout Pack 1500. Pack 1500 supported the Sweets for Soldiers program through Operation Homefront in December. The Cub Scouts assembled boxes of goodies for deployed soldiers. Our Post is the sponsor for Pack 1500. The Pack is holding their Pinewood Derby on 4 February 2017 at Legacy Elementary School.

Post 2017 Budget. Finance Officer Richard Ryan presented the budget for 2017 to the members in attendance. Contact Comrade Ryan or the Adjutant if you have any suggested updates. The Finance Officer will present the final budget to the Post at the February meeting.

Closing. At 21:04 hours, there being no further business to bring before the Post, Chaplain Hinkle delivered the closing prayer and Commander Loomis conducted the closing and adjourned the meeting.



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The next general meeting will be at 1930 hours, 9 February 2017, at the Ashburn Volunteer Fire Department, 20688 Ashburn Rd, Ashburn, VA 20147.

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