

Commander opened the District Executive Committee Meeting at 1400 at Post 472.

Opening ceremony was conducted by Commander Thomas with Sgt at Arms and Chaplain.

Roll Call conducted by Adjutant. All Officers present except Service Officer. Committee Chairman roll call omitted. Posts not represented are as follows; 316,391,594,596 and 654.

Commander Thomas introduced the guests, National Executive Committeeman Butch Sparks, Past Department Commanders Butch and Lynn Sparks, Past Division Commanders Lynn Sparks and Dan King, Past District Commanders Butch and Lynn Sparks, Dan King, Juan Torres and jimmy Mitchell

OFFICER REPORTS

Vice Cmdr Woodstrom reported that the goal for the Posts is 100%. He reported that two Post are close to achieving the goal. Posts 596 @ 93% and 164 @ 87 %. He also notified the Committee that if Post family (Legion, Auxiliary, SAL & Riders) reach 103% of goal with all paperwork completed and in on time, there is a Family Award that they could receive with the recognition being submitted.

Commander Thomas provided the number of members each Post needed to make 100%. He reiterated that 345s are there to assist Posts in making goal. He likewise noted that some Post are recruiting them at rates in the hundreds. He challenged the Posts to get their CB&Ls revised and to him and Department prior to before Mid-Winter.

Adjutant had no report but requested that the prior month's minutes be accepted. Vice Cmdr Woostrom second the motion. Motion passed.

Finance Officer gave finance report and asked for its acceptance. Motion to accept the report by Adjutant. Seconded by Vice Cmdr. Motion passed.

Judge Advocate No Report.

Chaplain reported that he had been hospitalized and thanked those that came to see him especially Butch and Lynn Sparks.

Historian No Report

Sgt-at-Arms Mc Guire reported eighteen (18) members present. Turned in written rooster.

Service Officer Not Present

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Americanism No Report

Baseball Chairman Saucillo reported and challenged all to actively participate. He further reported on the deterioration of the program. He discussion several issues concerning the survival of the District's program and methods that could possibly salvage the program.

Boys Scouts Chairman informed all that the troop that is local and active with Post 521 will be selling coupon book for \$10.00. He will be actively involved in assisting them in this endeavor.

Boys State Chairman reported on the initial contract for transportation to Austin TX. Will have at the Feb DEC for approval and vote. The Vice cmdr also noted that the Orientation for the event will be at Post 164, April 25, 2020 starting at 10am. Location TBA.

Children & Youth Commander Thomas reported on Junior Shooting. Student Air Rifle training (SAR), the requirement for qualification as opposed to the current program. Free training (Aug 7 8am to 5pm) at Post 521. He addressed Texas Parks & Wildlife commitment to the effort, and the this is a project that the Commander will take to Department.

Constitution & By Laws Chairman reiterated that Posts need to get the documents revised and to the Department timely that they might be approved at Mid winter.

National Security No Report

Oratorical Chairman reported that the District Contest would be Wednesday (8th) at Post 521 at 7pm. There were two contestants both from Post 164. The winner was (?). Chairman King also announced that the Division Contest would be held January 25, 2020 at Post 521 at 1pm and lunch would be served at 12 noon. The Districts with contestants are 6, 8 and 22nd.

SAL Chairman reported on the Squadron's membership and submitted a written report for filing.

VA&R Chairman King, (Post 416 Cmdr) report to be sent to Adjutant via email for filing.

Webmaster Woodstrom give update on site features to be enhanced and posted in the near future.

Hubmaster NECman Sparks again emphasized the need to send him information for distribution and his timely response to get it out the District.

Unfinished Business None

New Business Resolution for Vice Commander Harry Woodstrom's to be Commander 22nd District Fy 2020 to 2022 read by NECman Butch Sparks.

NECman Sparks had been asked to report on the actions of Post 594 with respect to its viability as an creditable Post. The report in all categories reflected that the Post's activities were non existent or very minimally adhered to. He reported that the rating system states that a score of 0 to 4 Post dead. Their rating was 2. He also stated the their membership dropped 54%. As a results of these findings ti was recommended that first, set a date for the Post membership to meet and elect Officers and set a path for Post revitalization. Date set (February 1, 2020) as the first attempt. The idea is to have this Post back on track or ready for a vote merge or dissolve. Major concerns voiced was not wanting to loose these members to 345 rolls and the financial situation. Motion by Dan King to do a mailout and one week before the date (February 1, 2020) set to do a call to the membership advising them of the requirement imposed on the Post. Seconded by Harry Woodstrom. Motion passed. Motion by NECman Sparks to have postage for the mailing absorbed by District. Seconded by Harry Woodstrom. Motion passed.

Good of the Legion Post 490 Legionnare (please provide name) gave report on several events. He reported on the grant being given by Home Depot concerning Community Service. He also gave information on the rafflr at Post 490 for a vintage Sniper Rifle, tickets for \$10.00. (Didn't get the date).

Commander Thomas reminded Post Commanders of the cost of missing deadlines for events such as firefighter of the year etc. He reminded them of the January deadlines. He also reminded them of the Elections, certifications of Post and all such reports being submitted timely to ensure they are acknowledged at Department for the proper Post recognition. Actions during the April/May time are critical to ensuring that these proposals happen.

Commander Thomas noted that the February DEC will be at Post 654, Feb 23rd, 1400 hours.

District Executive Committee Meeting adjourned at 1515.