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## Post 138 E-board

2/9/25

08:00 John Called to eboard to order

- Meeting called to order 08:00
- Thanks to Susan for organizing breakfast for meeting
- Roll call conducted by Leanna Lewis – Adjutant

Position	Name	Status
<b>Commander</b>	John Boyle	P
<b>1<sup>st</sup> VICE</b>	Robert Gloster	A
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> VICE</b>	Bob Cowgill	P
<b>ADJUTANT</b>	Leanna Lewis	P
<b>FINANCE</b>	Josh Grant	P
<b>CHAPLIN</b>	Daniel “Chappy” Tucker	A
<b>JUDGE ADVOCATE</b>	Alan Minner	P
<b>SERVICE OFFICER</b>	Zach Muncy	P
<b>SGT-AT-ARMS</b>	Devin Arents	E
<b>HISTORIAN</b>	Joe Joplin	A
<b>Trustee 1</b>	Shane Bloomfield	P
<b>Trustee 2</b>	Jim “Bags” Biginski	P
<b>Trustee 3</b>	Tom	P

- Quorum established
- Leanna Lewis resigned as adjutant – John thanked her for her service on behalf of the post.
- Matt Schmehl proposed as new adjutant, approved by e-board

## Financial and Administrative Updates

- Discussion on importance of accurate meeting minutes for legal protection
- Brief report on Rehab Dinner we served for – highly successful.
- \$7,000 received from National Commander for exterior 'Be the One' project.  
Trustees to meet with Brad (Department – Public Affairs) about project details
- Emphasis on importance of 'Be the One' program for veteran support



- Discussion on improving communication of post activities

#### ☒ Committee Reports and Planning

- Bylaws and Constitution Committee (Allen – meeting last Tuesday the 4<sup>th</sup>.) working on updates.  
Noted that we have been following the available documents internally as best as possible.  
Importance stressed on needing to update and formalize Bylaws and documents to reflect how we are currently operating, and are consistent with Department and National documentation.
- Post Event Planning (PEP) team (Bob – 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice) to coordinate activities calendar. Planning Meetings to be planned out.  
Josh to update website and create linked calendar system, he is working on taking over event website and moving to his server.  
Discussion on Event Planning and Approval Form Process.
- Motion - Josh / Tom – Approved \$300 to Rich Larsen for band
- Finance report presented, including account balances. Approximately \$12K in accounts. \$2,000 in Special Events designated for Patio. Accountant is progressing on 2024 reconciliation and will be done soon. Rent has been paid for Feb. Next Finance Committee Meeting TBD. Should have Meeting and P&L by March meeting.
- Discussion on patches
- Discussion on reimbursement process for members.
- Trustees – John discussed that we need building maintenance and upkeep plan. Laryn presented a volunteer sign-up list for post cleaning – given to Bob for formatting and implementing.
- Discussion by John on Welcome Home Viet Nam Vets – Scheduled for March 29<sup>th</sup> – Combined with Annual Post 138 Meeting. Includes breakfast approximately 9:30- 11:00. Commander Vios D12 as guest speaker.

#### ☒ Organizational Updates

- Sons of the American Legion gun raffle update (Wrench) about 7-10 tickets left to sell.  
Discussion on preventing more than one raffle occurring at once.
- Auxiliary membership at 125% of goal award.  
We have the karaoke contest going right now. And we're planning for potentially a family Family Day on May 10th.



- Legionnaires received out 100% Certificate in December, and we are at 127% of membership goal
- Discussion on potential nomination for commander position – John will accept for one more year if offered District Position.

### **Firearms Policy Discussion**

- Judge Advocate report on firearms policy in the building. Per ARS – firearms are not allowed in the building.
- Motion to follow state law prohibiting firearms on premises (Matt/Leanna) – Passed.
- Discussion on safety concerns and legal implications
- Motion (Matt / ?) passed to follow the law and prohibit firearms on the premise building.
- Josh will get with Allen to discuss a firearm locker.
- Move (Josh /Tom) Give \$1,000 to Colleen Gardner from Post Re: ride for love – Motion carried
- Motion to adjourn – (Allen / Bob) Passed

Submitted: Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> – Matt Schmehl – Adjutant

/s/ Matthew P. Schmehl

Approved as Corrected Date: 3/9/25