Post 10 Business & Professional — Membership Meeting Minutes December 2, 2023

CALL TO ORDER: The membership meeting was called to order at 0905 by Vice Commander Nick Benedetto, Commander. The meeting was held at Lupe Tortilla Mexican Restaurant, following current health and safety protocols.

ROLL CALL: A quorum was declared. 25 members present. Guests Larry Lamborn, Roslyn Lamborn, Shirley Masten, and Rory Cavazos were present. Burt Quintanilla, Richard Bowser, and Dr. Jim Noel were excused absences.

OPENING CEREMONIES: (1) With everyone at attention and the colors being in place a salute was rendered, (2) the Opening Prayer was delivered by Bill Quinn, (3) Ralph Celento, Sergeant-at-Arms, with colors in place---posted the POW/MIA flag and (4) The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison followed by The American Legion Preamble

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING: The reading of the November 2023 minutes was waived by motion. Motion (M. Scherer) was seconded (B. Quinn) and unanimously approved by the membership.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance Report: Hector Cavazos, Finance Officer (hcavazospost10@yahoo.com) — Current report was given. Motion to approve (B. Masten), 2nd (G. Rast), and unanimously approved. The report will be maintained and filed in accordance with post standard operating procedures.

Meeting was paused at 9:15AM for 5 minutes for coffee.

Judge Advocate: No report..

Post Service Officer's Report: Matt Scherer. Talked about the importance of the existence of local posts. Promoted the Elizabeth Dole Home Act and the Pay Our Troops Act and the Keep Our Border Agents Paid Act.

Membership Report: Adjutant Eric Mayer (<u>ALPost10Adjutant@gmail.com</u>) — 288/355 for 81% % of our goal. We have already exceeded the November goal. December goal is 75%, January goal is 80%.

Americanism Report: Eric Mayer, Americanism Chairman. — Oratorical is in full swing. 4 schools have committed. Pieper needs judges for their Oratorical Competition. Boys State recruiting has already started.

SICK CALL/POST EVERLASTING -

- Sick Call: Richard Bowser fractured his pelvis. He is at home and recovering well.
- Post Everlasting: None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

ANY UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Veterans Day Parade. Dan Martin reported that it was a great, enthusiastic event. Huge thanks to everyone who participated.
- The commander appreciated the strong turnout for the University of the Incarnate Word Autonomous Vehicle Workshop on November 8.

Break for Breakfast at 9:49. Resumed meeting at 10:10.

NEW BUSINESS:

• Request was made for an update on airport parking. Will pass this on to Burt for an update at the January meeting.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE LEGION:

- January guest speaker. Assistant DA from Bexar County. Looking to have a presentation about Veterans Court, trends, and dog bites.
- Past Commander Sharlene McCuan presented a certificate of appreciation to Glenda Rast for helping with coordinating volunteering initiatives for the post.
- Past Division, District, and Post Commander Bob Masten and his wife Shirley will be celebrating their 62nd wedding anniversary.
- 20th District Holiday Party is tonight at Post 475.

UPCOMING EVENTS: Please refer to this month's newsletter, which will be emailed.

CLOSING CEREMONIES: (1) the Closing Prayer was delivered by Bill Quinn (2) Ralph Celento retired the colors and the POW/MIA flag (3) final salute to the colors then rendered.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, January 6, 2024, 0900, at Lupe Tortilla.

The meeting was adjourned at 1025 by Commander Quintanilla, Post 10 Business & Professional, The American Legion.