

Gifts For Yanks Committee Meeting December 12 @ 1pm Department HQ

1. Call to Order at
2. Salute the Colors
3. Invocation by Ken Ellis
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Roll Call

District	Name	Substitute	Attendance
1	Joe Navarre		X
2	Brenda Clerk		Excused
3	Bob Steggemann		X
4	Ken Ellis		X
5	Darell Bishop		X
6	Dan Goodman		-
7	John Tepper		X
8	<i>Vacant</i>		-
9	Bill Dittebrand		-
10	Holly Lewis		X
11	Floyd Burk	JD Robinson	X
12	Traci Washington		Excused
13	Stan Popek		-
14	<i>Vacant</i>		

6. Guests: Scott Palider, Department Legislative and National Security Coor.
7. Chairs Opening Remarks: Asks that the members gather feedback from facilities and patients on distribution.
8. Review of Previous Minutes.
 - a. Bishop (5) made a motion to approve minutes from the previous meeting. Steggeman (3) second.
 - i. Motion Carried**
9. Old Business
10. New Business
 - a. Gift Cards
 - i. Distributions
 1. Leftover gifts will be brought back to the department to be secured.
 - ii. Using leftover GFY cards to pay for next year's order if necessary?

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1. Whatever is left over in non-distributed can be reused to order next year's gift. Either order more cards or add them into the GFY account for ordering 2023 GFY gifts.
 - iii. Motion made by Bishop (5) to NOT give the DEC and commissions gifts but to give the A&G trip 18 gift cards for the students only, no chaperons. Second by Navarre (1)
 - i. Motion carried
 - b. Donations so far
 - i. List needs to be broken down by Districts with quotas. \$1 per post. A monthly report is to be sent out to the committee members
 - ii. The last day to get donations into the Department is May 30th so a report can be made in time for the Convention.
 - c. Fundraising Ideas
 - i. Social media campaign encouraging events and an OLN article from the Chair to drum up donations.
 - ii. Raffle off coins starting at midwinter (in safe) and the winner will be announced at convention.
 - a. 2nd place is \$100, and 3rd is \$50
 - iii. Hats, bullet pens, and shaving bags will be sold at midwinter for "donations"
 - d. Name Change
 - i. Previously the VA&R Commission rejected the name change. Resolution 22-09 was approved by Convention and now allows GFY to stand alone without the approval of the VA&R Commission.
 - ii. Check with Hunter Woods about how marketable a name change would be or if a revitalization on social media happened.
 1. Changing the logo to be a bit more militarized to catch one's eye and educate people on what a "Yank" is.
 - e. VAVS Fund request issues
 - i. Tepper (7) shared his issue with fund requests for VAVS events and obtaining Chillicothe's \$4000 for events being done at the VAMC.
 1. Reimbursements can be ACH into accounts to speed up the process. Receipts are required.
11. Good of the Legion
 - a. GFY Committee members should go to Posts who have gaming and obtain donations from those spending money on gaming.
12. Benediction
13. Salute Colors
14. Adjournment 2:05 pm

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