

MINUTES
AMERICANISM COMMISSION
MEETING OF
MARCH 13, 2022, at 9:00 A.M.
Department Headquarters- Library

1. Call to Order 9:15 A.M.
Chairman Houp opened the meeting of the Department Americanism Commission at 9:15 A.M.
2. Salute to the Colors
The Colors were saluted.
3. Invocation by Melissa Fowle, 3rd District Chairwoman.
4. Pledge of Allegiance
Chairman Houp led those present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.
5. Roll Call: Christie White, Americanism and Children & Youth Coordinator

Members present:

Stan Oren, 1st District Chairman- PRESENT
Kent Long, 2nd District Chairman- EXCUSED
Melissa Fowle, 3rd District Chairwoman- PRESENT
Henry Knight Jr, 4th District Chairman- NOT PRESENT
Cheryl MacDonald, 5th District Chairwoman- PRESENT
Roy Terry, 6th District Chairman- PRESENT
Bill Frost, 7th District Chairman- NOT PRESENT
Robert Schmoll, 8th District Chairman- NOT PRESENT
Charles Stennis, 9th District Chairman- PRESENT
Richard Houp, Americanism Commission Chairman- PRESENT
Thom Stan, 11th District Chairman- EXCUSED
Thomas Rowe, 12th District Chairman- PRESENT
Kevin Conlan, 13th District Chairman- PRESENT
John Life, 14th District Chairman- NOT PRESENT

Guests Present:

Christie White, Americanism and Children & Youth Coordinator

6. Reading of Previous Minutes
Melissa Fowle, 3rd District Chairwoman, moved, seconded by Tom Rowe, 12th District Chairman, to approve the minutes of the last meeting.

MOTION PASSED

7. A&G Trip Recap
Christie White, Americanism and Children & Youth Coordinator gave a quick overview of the A&G Trip. All the students had a great time, some places we wanted to visit were closed last minute, but we could go to other places we had not been to before.

8. Educator of the Year
 - a. Edit Packet- Suggested deadline of September 15. The Commission can vote on them during fall meetings in October (1st or 2nd weekend) at Department Headquarters. This is for the 2021-2022 school year.

Tom Rowe, 12th District Chairman motions, seconded by Roy Terry, 6th District Chairman, to change the Educator of the Year 2021-2022 Nomination Packet to reflect the due date to District as of August 1 and Department by September 15, and be voted on Fall Conference in October.

MOTION PASSED

9. Eagle Scout of the Year
 - a. Nomination- Christie White, Americanism, and Children & Youth Coordinator, mentions to the Commission that a Scout did his Eagle Scout project here at Department and Department would like to nominate him as Departments Eagle Scout of the Year. The deadline for Districts to turn nominations into Department was March 1. There were no nominations. Nominations are due into National from Department by April 1.

Roy Terry, 6th District Chairman motions, seconded by Stan Oren, 1st District Chairman for Department, to nominate Tyler Pokorney as the Department Eagle Scout of the Year.

MOTION PASSED

10. Unfinished Business
 - a. Americanism Pins – Chairman Houp discussed with the Commission about the pins. He will send a formal letter to Charities Inc requesting funds for the pins. He thought it was already taken care of via email. It was not, so he will send a formal letter.

11. New Business- None

12. Good of the Legion- Tom Rowe mentions that his Post gives flags to each class in his school district to say the Pledge of Allegiance. February 28th, 12th District held a Four Chaplains ceremony. He included 4 Boy Scouts and 4 Legionnaires. Chairman Houp give a 100-year-old woman a membership to his Post.

13. Benediction. Charles Stennis, 9th District Chairman, gave the benediction

14. Adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 9:46 A.M.