

Membership & Post Activities Commission Meeting Minutes

July 24,2021

1:00 P.M. DEC HQ

1st Vice Commander Brad Teis Called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M.

The colors were saluted

Invocation given by Thomas Polton 12th District Commander

2nd Vice Commander Charles Stennis lead the Pledge of Allegiance

Commander Teis conducted roll call

Charles Stennis 2nd Vice Department of Ohio

Mike Blackwell 3rd District 1st Vice

Richard Balluh 10th District 1st Vice Larry Stottsberry 10th District 2nd Vice

Darell Bishop 5th District 1st Vice Marty Moore 5th District 2nd Vice

Jerry Perry 4th District 1st Vice

Steve Wainwright 11th District 1st Vice Thom Stand 11th District 2nd Vice

James Lockyer 13th District 1st Vice Leroy Brinkoff 13th District 2nd Vice

Joe Navarre 1st District Commander Harold Landis 1st District 2nd Vice

Tom Poulton 12th District Commander

Robin Johnson 8th District 2nd Vice

Joyce Hannum 9th District 1st Vice

Sharon McClain 14th District 2nd Vice

J.D. Robinson Department Coordinator

Guest present Suzette Heller Department Adjutant

No previous minutes read

No Old Business

New Business

Commander Teis Stated he wants each District to form membership teams.

Divide the District into sections among the officers and have a weekly communication. Create a contest out of it. Make doing membership fun.

Jerry Perry of the 4th District described how they divide the district and work together. They use a spread sheet to track membership weekly. They are going to send a blank copy out for all other districts to use. Jerry stated that the 4th District starts on the new membership in May of each year.

Commander Teis stated to get the smaller post quota first and work on the large posts. Do not wait for national to send renewal notices. Each post should send their own out inviting the members to renew and thanking them for their continued membership.

Coordinator Robinson read off a list of post that national had sent out the wrong dollar amount on the Dues notice.

Posts

3,20,25,39,86,106,109,118,186,246,266,326,334,421,431,452,541,547,550,703,
797.

He also stated he was available for travel for trainings with advanced notice.

It was stated it would be good to do MyLegion.org trainings after a district meeting.

Resolutions

21-02

Changing Membership minimum requirements of each post from 25 to 15 members.

Tom Poulton Command 12th District. Handed out a revised resolution

Poulton 12th District made a motion to accept Landis 1st District seconded the motion.

Jerry Perry of the 4th district asked where the stopping point of lowering membership requirements would be? Polton stated that Ohio is the only state to require 25 members per post. After a lengthy debate over this topic. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution

21-9

Change the delegate and alternate to reflect the new post membership requirements.

Poulton 12th District made a motion to adopt Jerry Perry 4th district seconded the motion. No discussion the motion passed unanimously.

21-12

District 10 has rescinded the resolution until a later date. Once MyLegion.org is at full operation.

Post Activities

Commander Stennis discussed his idea to have 1500 thank you sent to people and organizations outside ours. This will help build communication and foster a friendship. He stated to use a spreadsheet to track who has been sent one.

He also went over “I gotta go pee” which describes the marketing tool used to help grow. The P’s are place, price, product, promotion, and people. We need to do a better job of putting this into practice and showing off what we do. He will be sending an email with his presentation.

Robins Johnson 8th District 2nd Vice discussed her post is a trial post for the Atlas program. The program brings health care to veterans in rural communities without having to travel so far. The program uses a pod with controlled lighting and monitors to help the veterans meet with their medical providers over an internet connection. They can check blood pressure, temperature, pulse rate, and more. This is through the American Legion Washington D.C. Office.