

American Legion Paschall Post 164 Executive Board Meeting Minutes 31 May 2025

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 10:05 A.M.

Invocation: Chaplain Len Stayton

Salute Flag and Pledge:

Cmdr. Woodrum called members to attention, Salute the Flag, and the Pledge recited.

Roll Call of Officers:

All Post Officers present except, S.A.L. Advisor Mike Flannigan, Trustees Jimmy Deckant, SGT @ Arms Harry Jones, Trustee Jeff Davis, and Historian Serbennia Davis. We had a Quorum.

Previous Minutes:

Call to read the Minutes of 19 April 2025 meeting. Judge Advocate Craig Huffman moved to dispense with the Reading of the minutes from previous Exec. Mtg. and accept them as printed. The motion was 2^{nd} by 2^{nd} Vice Cmdr. Charlie Smith. Cmdr. Woodrum called for discussion on the motion; no discussion; Cmdr. called for the vote. Motion to accept the minutes as printed was unanimously approved.

Introduction of guests:

Cmdr. Woodrum introduced Will Blevins of Legion Riders Post 532. He addressed the Exec. Board asking if our Post would Host the charity Benefit Ride to be conducted on 20 Sept. 2025. All proceeds from this event will go to "Reaching for the Shining Star." This organization helps victims of Human Trafficking. The activities will consist of two food trucks, drinks, raffles and a Live Band. There will be a ride prior to the beginning festivities. The riders should arrive back at the Post around 1:30 PM. After Mr. Blevins presented his proposal, Cmdr. Woodrum informed him that the Executive Committee would deliberate and contact him with the decision and he was excused from the rest of the meeting.

Reports:

Canteen:

Mgr. Rowley, Canteen Manager, indicated everything is running smoothly with no issues. She indicated that we need to make some adjustment to the Post Hall Rental contract and the Website to improve Management Vision on the Calendar for Rentals. Cmdr. Woodrum indicated that he would contact our Website Person and schedule a date and time for this to happen.

Membership:

1st Vice Cmdr. Matheny reported the following for 2025:

49 PUFL, 19 New members, 4 (888) Transfers, 250 Renewals us a total of 322 Paid Members to date. That brings the Post to 94.43%. The 12th District has won the Little Brown Jug award for Membership and is currently 97.6% of quota.

Events:

2nd Vice Cmdr. Smith proved the schedule of events as follows:

12 June 5:00PM to 7:00PM Lasagna Dinner w/salad and Bread sticks, signup by 9 June. 14 June7:00PM to 11:00PM Loose Cannon Band will be playing in the Canteen. Potluck includes Ribs and Green Beans.

2nd Vice Cmdr. Smith moved that we Host the "Reaching for the Shining Starz" event as proposed by Mr. Blevins to be held on 20 Sept. and if they provide us the 501c3 ID# they will not be charged for the Hall for this event. If they cannot provide the 501c3 ID# we will let them rent the Hall for \$1.00 Per Hour. Moton was 2nd by Service Off. David Flannigan. Call for discussion, no further discussion, Cmdr. Woodrum Called for a Vote, motion was approved unanimously.

Finance:

Fin. Off. Norris reported:

Operating Account \$7,724.00 Savings Account: \$9,343.00

EBingo Account: \$12,793.00 Traditional Bingo Account: \$304.00

Ohio Lottery Account: \$1,621.00 Maint. Account: \$421.00

Hall Rental Account: \$100.00

Taxes have been filed for 23-24 Reporting, and we are up to date with our taxes. To dispel any rumors that have been spread, the Honor Guard is authorized to make donations to any Veteran's Organization that benefits Veterans. That includes Post 164.

Armed Forces Day went well with the Canteen taking in approximately \$1600. Proceeds from raffles and 50/50 have not yet been deposited.

A motion was made to remove S.A.L. Jon Coakley as an S.A.L. Officer due to failure to provide financials for the S.A.L. In doing so he placed the Post in jeopardy of filing false reports to the IRS, a breach of Federal Tax Laws. The Post is the Parent Organization and the S.A.L.'s Financial functions fall under the Post's EIN for Tax Reporting. This motion was vacated after further discussion. Fin. Off. Norris moved to Bar Jon Coakley from the Post because of his actions. The motion was 2^{nd} by Trustee Bill Hall. Cmdr. Woodrum called for the vote. Motion passed with a majority with one dissenting vote. This action will be brought to the Membership on 12 June for further discussion.

House Committee:

The Ice Machine is DEAD and needs to be replaced immediately. The Canteen is presently using Bagged Ice. The Money to buy the new machine was previously approved. Service Off. David Flannigan has volunteered to pick up the new machine and also help with the installation. The rain below the sinks behind the bar is leaking badly and it too needs to be replaced. Service Off. David Flannigan moved to contact one of our Members who is a Master Plumber, Pat no last name provided, to affect this repair. The motion was 2nd by Judge Advocate Huffman. Call for further discussion, having none, Cmdr. Woodrum called for the Vote. Motion approved unanimously.

Americanism:

Chaplain Stayton: We had one applicant for Boys State. He was interviewed by Chaplain Stayton, Judge Advocate Craig Huffman and Commander Woodrum. The Candidate failed to file the online application and will be contacted by Chaplain Stayton.

Honor Guard:

No report.

Unfinished Business:

The new street sign has been delivered and is being stored in the garage. The installation of this sign is currently waiting on a variance from the building and zoning Commission here in Grove City OH. Judge Jennifer Huffman ready list of the current nominees; for Cmdr. Joe Woodrum, for 1st Vice Cmdr Dolly Matheny, for 2nd Vice commander Ken Fluate, for 1 Year Trustee Jeff Davis, for 3 Year Trustee Charlie Smith, for Finance Officer Jason Norris. Other Positions: Chaplain, Judge Advocate, Adjutant, Historian, Service Officer, and Honor Guard Cmdr. are appointments of the Commander with the approval, and certification by the Executive Board.

Post elections will be held 14 June from Noon to 8:00 PM. After the polls have been closed the election Committee with tally the Votes and report the results of their findings.

Judge Advocate Huffman moved to add the following amendment to the Constitution specifically the By-Laws: Add to Article 9 (IX) section 5(V) The S.A.L. Commander, Finance Officer, and Auxiliary President should make every effort to attend the Legionnaire Executive Meetings. Motion was discussed with the following reason given:

This meeting occurs the Last Saturday of each Month at 10:00 AM. This will provide them with information they can then take back to their membership. This way there is complete communication chain and transparency within the Post Home.

The motion was 2nd by Chaplain Stayton. Cmdr. Woodrum called for further discussion. No further comments were made, a call for the vote, Motion was passed unanimously. This motion will be brought to the Membership at the June 12th Meeting.

New Business:

Regarding the incident in the Canteen involving Nicole Norris and Lisa Coakley. The Exec. Board has determined that a verbal warning will be sufficient.

A check was mailed on May 5th from Veterans Services for reimbursement for the Memorial Days expenses but was never received. Fin. Off. Norris has indicated that a Stop Payment will be issued on this check and a request that he be able to pick up the check personally for our reimbursement. The Stop Payment fee will be covered by Norris's.

The funds received from the Veterans Service will be used to pay for the food that was purchased fo the Memorial Day along with the new flags for Grove City Cemeteries. Approximately 40 People came out to assist with Flag Placement at the Cemeteries in preparation for Memorial Day.

Jeff Shupe will be reimbursed for the Pizzas he purchased for the Memorial Day event when we ran out of food.

Good of the Organization:

Arrangements were made between the Fin. Off. and Jon Coakley, S.A.L. Fin. Off./Adjutant to have a Phone meeting on 2 June at 5:30 PM to come to an agreement on a date and time to meet and get the S.A.L. Financials Reporting to the Post Finance Officer oversight and for IRS reporting.

Salute the Flag and Adjournment:

Next meeting is the Exec. Meeting 28 June at $10:00\,\mathrm{AM}.\,2025$

Next Membership Meeting 12 June 2025, 6:00 PM.

Having no further business to conduct, Cmdr. Woodrum adjourned at 11:24 AM.