

## The American Legion Post 164

### Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting on November 05, 2024

Executive Committee Meeting called to order by Commander Krum at 7:00pm  
Some members were on zoom.

Invocation by Post Chaplain

3. Roll Call; All Officers Present

4. Minutes of last Executive Committee meeting (10-01-2024) were posted on the post Website and approved at the last Membership Meeting.

5. Committee Reports (using Post template) Limited to 2 minutes each.

a. Auxiliary; Pies for Hope was successful, we will deliver 100 pies and a check for \$500.00 on November 8<sup>th</sup> Also KCM Turkey/Thanksgiving dinner for Veterans was finalized and we will be packaging them on Monday November 18<sup>th</sup> Also we have adopted 5 Veteran Families for Christmas and will need volunteers for gift wrapping.

b. Sons; Attended Breakfast with A Veteran, sent out e-mails asking for help at breakfast and poppy tables, our Constitution and By Laws are complete and submitted, and we are at 68% of our membership goal.

c. Board of Trustees; Our meeting was on October 28<sup>th</sup> 2024 The generator was not working and an appointment was scheduled for November 7<sup>th</sup> for service. The elevator phone is now working. Cameras have been installed at entrance doors. Brent Scott has volunteered to help with Post 164 building maintenance. We are still getting A/C repair quotes and repair estimates for portable sign out front.

d. First Vice Commander; Sent welcome letters to all new members. Prepared a buddy check script for upcoming buddy check event during the week following Veterans Day. We will start a mentoring program for new members soon. We are at 64.75% of goal.

e. Second Vice Commander; Currently working on First Responders Dinner and Wreaths Across America Ceremony at the Magnolia Cemetery.

f. Finance; We have \$21,399 Dollars in the bank. The financial report was read and is available for review after the meeting.

g. Judge Advocate; No report.

h. Chaplain; Members need to call if they know of another who is sick or needs help.

i. Service Officer; Got several calls from Veterans who need financial help. More later.

j. Oratorical; Will be at Post 164 on November 16<sup>th</sup>

- k. Honor Guard; 5 Honor Ceremonies, 1 Flag Function, for 118 Service Hours
  - l. Riders; 2 Rides this month, 1 this Saturday and another on 23<sup>rd</sup>
  - m. JSSP; Not Here.
  - l. Others; Scouts, a Female troop is pending charter. Need Post Members to volunteer for Merit Badge Counselors and Advancement Board of Review, see Chairman for info.
6. Unfinished Business;
- a. Rice Festival Recap; Both days were great weather, wonderful people to talk with, got some Membership Applications, and fixed the booth tent top.
  - b. Service Officer Training at Post 164; 24 Legion Members were present.
  - c. Fall Festival (trunk or treat) Recap; About 52 vehicles came thru the Post garage doors for their treats and discussions on the inside of this building.
  - d. 1<sup>st</sup> Responders Banquet; Finalizing dinner menu and table layout diagram.
  - e. Veterans Day Event; HEB Sponsors at No Label Brewery from 5 to 9pm on November 6<sup>th</sup> Veterans will need an ID to get their free meal ticket.
  - f. Poppy Distribution will be Saturday November 9<sup>th</sup> at various locations.
  - g. KCM Veterans Turkey packaging will be on November 18<sup>th</sup> Need volunteers.
  - h. Operation Home Front on November 23<sup>rd</sup> is where Turkey Dinners are Handed out to pre-selected eligible Veteran Families.
  - i. Anything Else; Veterans Recognition at Katy High School Football Stadium this Friday.
7. New Business
- a. Be The One material; Banners and Trifolds need printing. Auxiliary to cover ½ the cost and Post to pay the other. A Motion was made by Bruce Pettengill to obtain final cost and amount of items, then vote. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis Wells, discussion was to table pending final costs.
  - b. Constitution and By Laws update; The Judge Advocate led the discussion on proposed changes and any additional items being considered. When this was concluded these changes will be presented to the Membership for final approval at a future Meeting.
  - c. Breakfast with a Veteran is scheduled for December 7<sup>th</sup> which is also Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day. A Motion was made by Jim McGuire for the Post to Pay for any WW II Veterans who attend. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis Wells, no discussion, Motion passed.
  - d. Katy Fire Fighters Pancake Breakfast is on December 14<sup>th</sup>
  - e. First Responders Banquet is on December 7<sup>th</sup> at Elks Lodge
  - f. Wreath Across America Ceremony is on December 14<sup>th</sup> at Katy Magnolia Cemetery starting at 10am , Please arrive early as street parking is limited

- g. Soldiers Rest Wreaths Ceremony at Forrest Park Lawndale is on December 14<sup>th</sup> starting at 2pm
- h. Christmas Family; This year our Post has adopted 5 Veterans Families for gift giving.
- i. Newsletter deadline is one week prior to our next Membership Meeting. All Executive Committee Members and Committee Program Chairmen need to keep Post membership updated on our events within the community.
- j. Flag Retirement event will need a new Chairman.
- k. Legion Times Articles; These are needed on Military events happening here in Texas and can be submitted by any American Legion Member.
- l. All Post events must be posted on the Post Calendar with location.
- m. Speaker for November Membership Meeting is Samantha Brumer, Veteran Home Care
- n. Anything Else; Harry Woodstrom announced that the Bingo event location has been dissolved and more details will be available soon. A Bingo Committee was formed and Peter Batura will be Chairman, the Committee includes Phil Malsbary, Butch Sparks, and Sandy Krum.

Service Officer received a call from a Veteran who needed financial help with back payment on storage locker. He is moving into a home and needs to get his furniture. Phill Yates Motioned that we provide 200.00 dollar loan or grant to him. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim McGuire, discussion was for Service Officer to gather more information on a date these funds will be needed and return with the results. Motion did not pass and will be tabled for a future e-mail vote to Commander Krum for more discussion.

Harry Woodstrom Motioned for a Budget not to exceed \$150.00 for expenses at 22<sup>nd</sup> District Executive Committee Meeting to be at Post 164 location on Sunday November 17<sup>th</sup> Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis Wells, no discussion, Motion passed.

## 8. Upcoming Events

Calendar review is on the front page of Post website for all to review.

9. If no further business, Post Chaplain will offer a closing prayer.

10. Executive Committee adjourned at 9:05pm

William Kennison  
Adjutant

Sandy Krum  
Commander