The American Legion Post 164

Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting on December 3, 2024

1. Executive Committee Meeting called to order by Commander Krum at 7:00pm Some members were on zoom, others were at Post 164

- 2. Invocation by Post Chaplain
- 3. Roll Call; Missing was Service Officer

4. Minutes of last Executive Committee meeting (11-05-2024) were posted on the Post Website and approved at the last Membership meeting.

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

a. Auxiliary; KCM Turkey/Thanksgiving dinner packages were completed for 100 Veterans on November 18th also currently completing KCM adopting 5 Veteran families for Christmas. November 18th was National Education Week and our Auxiliary adopted West Memorial High School and recognized their teaching staff. Thanks to all Legion Members who supported us at Wreaths and Poppy sponsorship tables.

b. Sons of American Legion; We are collecting donations and are putting together hygiene kit for Texas Veterans and will be taken to the next Division Convention. We will have a spaghetti dinner for sale at Post 164 on January 24th

c. Board of Trustees; Our meeting was on 11/25/2024 Generator still not working and an appointment was made for service. The shrubs out front will be removed soon. Another A/C quote was turned into MUD Board. Sign out front waiting on repair parts.

d. First Vice Commander; We are at 70.40% of our membership goal of 375. Conducted Buddy Checks, sent out welcome letters to new Members, assembled new welcome to our Post packets, will also send out dues renewal reminder e-mails.

e. Second Vice Commander; Getting ready for First Responders Dinner, awards were procured, dinner menu was finalized, and seating layout was confirmed.

- f. Finance; We have \$19,850 dollars in the bank. This report is now on file.
- g. Judge Advocate; No Report, but C&BL will be voted on at December Meeting.
- h. Chaplain; Not here, excused.
- i. Service Officer; Not here or on Zoom.
- j. Oratorical: Next event is 22nd District Ceremony at Post 164 January 12, 2025
- k. Honor Guard; 9 Funerals and 7 Flag Functions for 340 Service Hours.
- l. Riders; We plan to help at Wreaths Across America Ceremony on December 14th m. JSSP; Our program just finished, will start another soon.

o. Scouts; The current troop is ReChartering, more information at next meeting. p. Others;

6. Unfinished Business;

a. Operation Home Front; This was well organized and went as planned, channel 11 was there and did an amazing job of gathering information for their viewers.

b. Breakfast with a Veteran on December 7th we will need help after breakfast to remove tables and get ready to set-up for First Responders Banquet later that evening.

c. 1st Responders Banquet on December 7th Come early to assist with room finalizing and to make sure all equipment works. Program will start at 6:30 and Dinner at 7:00pm d. Wreaths Across America on December 14th We will need help to set-up chairs and equipment at the Magnolia Cemetery. Please come early as parking is limited and Ceremony will start at 10:00am

e. Also on Dec.14th is Soldiers Rest Ceremony at Forest Park Lawndale starting at 2pm.

f. Anything Else;

7. New Business

a. Constitution and Bylaws; These will be voted on at our December Meeting.

b. Christmas Family; Our Post and Auxiliary have adopted 5 Veteran Families this year.

c. Bingo License; Mark Freeman was introduced and he talked about the reorganizing of the bingo house in Pasadena that will use our Post 164 Bingo License.

d. Newsletter Deadline; It is one (1) week prior to next Membership Meeting.

e. Need a Flag Retirement Chairman, Someone to organize the Ceremony.

f. Send your Military articles to Legion Times in Austin for publishing.

g. Post Training on/about Membership by Dennis Wells will be our next Meeting to explain how to approach and accept an applicant for American Legion Membership.

h. Review the Post Calendar often as there are many events happening in our community

for all Veterans to attend and enjoy, spread the word about what we do.

i. Anything Else; None at this time.

8. Upcoming Events; (not already covered)

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

Executive Committee adjourned at 8:16pm

William Kennison Adjutant Sandy Krum Commander