

The American Legion Post 164

Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting on August 5, 2025

1. Executive Committee Meeting called to order by Commander Krum at 7:00pm
Some members were on zoom, (see link) others were at Post 164
2. Invocation by; Chaplain
3. Roll Call; Excused was Sergeant at Arms
4. Minutes of last Executive Committee meeting (7-01-2025) were read and a Motion was made by Harry Woodstrom to accept these Minutes. Motion was 2nd by Jim McGuire, no discussion, Motion passed
5. Committee Reports (using new template) Limited to 2 minutes each.
 - a. Auxiliary; We are finalizing the packing of Back Packs for students in our local community and getting ready for 911 event here at Post 164
 - b. Sons of American Legion; Our monthly dinner was on July 25th and SAL members did 149 hours at fireworks stand during July.
 - c. Board of Trustees; Our meeting was on July 28th and items in progress are; Unserviceable flags here in storage. We are looking into the idea of acquiring an incinerator. More info available soon. Also continuing to monitor the high water bill. Downstairs coffee maker is being repaired, but the upstairs coffee maker was brought downstairs and installed. It is manually operated so please read the posted instructions. 3 used, but not abused, AED units can be donated to the post, but they will need to be maintained and then stored properly.
 - d. First Vice Commander; We are sending letters to remind members to renew early. Training on recruiting new members and calling members for buddy checks will be conducted soon. Membership committee needs to be selected, see me to volunteer.
 - e. Second Vice Commander; Gathering details for Rice fest and future fish fry.
 - f. Finance Officer; We have \$22,125 dollars in the bank. This report is always available.
 - g. Judge Advocate; No Report
 - h. Chaplain; No Report
 - i. Service Officer; Assisted a Veteran with getting their VA Education benefits improved.
 - j. Oratorical: No Report, Program will start again next year.
 - k. Boys State; Will have more Boy's here next month to tell us their experiences.
 - l. Honor Guard; 6 Honor Functions and 2 Flag Functions for 202 Service Hours.
 - m. Riders; A ride is planned for August 15th
 - n. JSSP; Program will start on September 13th More info available soon.
 - o. Scouts; No report.

- p. Bingo; Our Post license was submitted with changes.
- q. Veterans Support Group; No report
- r. Headstones for Hero's; No report, but need an updated layout of Magnolia Cemetery.
- s. Training; Post Training plan is completed and will be available soon.
- t. Disaster Prep; No report
- u. Others; Mr. Harry Woodstrom provided a detailed report on our Post 164 website activities to show how effective it is at getting information out into the general public for everyone in the world to see who we are and what we do.

6. Unfinished Business;

- a. Be the One Training at betheone.org
- b. Open 2nd Vice Commander position, seeking any suggestion of names.
- c. Assistant Post Adjutant, seeking any suggested names.
- d. New Historian, Mr. Luis Leyva has volunteered. Butch Sparks Motioned that we accept this person. Motion was 2nd by Harry Woodstrom, no discussion, Motion passed. His name will be on the next Post 164 Membership Meeting Agenda.
- e. Be the One, Community Event & Open House;
- i. Committee Chair; Despi Scott
- ii. Date; pending
- iii. Activities; In planning stages
- f. American Legion College Sep 26, 27, & 28th from 8 to 5 at Post 164
- i. All executive Committee members should attend.
- ii. Open to all Post Family Members.
- g. Fundraising ideas
- i. Garage Sale. (postponed until spring due to schedule density)
- ii. Fish Fry scheduled for October 18th at Post 164
- iii. Any Other ideas??

7. New Business

- a. 22nd DEC on Sunday August 17th
 - i. At Post 521 in Pasadena, Tx
 - ii. 2 pm is start time
 - iii. Transportation, meet at Post by 12 noon to car pool.
- b. Disaster Relief Donations; Harry Woodstrom Motioned that Post 164 donate \$500 dollars toward the Texas Disaster Flood Relief Fund. Motion was 2nd by Ernie Cormier, no discussion, Motion passed.

c. AED Purchases; Russ Tolleson, from Board of Trustees, mentioned that a group has used AED's to donate to Post 164. Harry Woodstrom Motioned that we accept this donation. Ernie Cormier 2nd this Motion, discussion was that Post 164 will need to maintain these items and bring this before the Membership, no further discussion, Motion passed.

d. Historian – Mr. Luis Leyva has Volunteered and will be voted on soon.

e. Public Relations/Marketing Chairman; Mr. David “Mac” McAuliffe has Volunteered. Butch Sparks Motioned that we accept this person. Motion was 2nd by Harry Woodstrom, no discussion, Motion passed.

f. Breakfast with a Veteran is Saturday September 6th at Elks Lodge.

g. SAL Dinner is scheduled for August 29th at Post 164

h. Post Service Officer(s) Cell Phones (s) This was a discussion about personal cell phone traffic and using a Post provided cell phone and number. Harry Woodstrom mentioned that most information from Veterans comes into our website then is forwarded to a member or section for action. This discussion was tabled for a future meeting where more information and details will be available on a future phone system.

i. Post Game Night is every Friday Night from 7pm till closing.

j. Anything Else?

Our Post has a large collection of unserviceable American Flags. These come from several Flag Collection boxes in the Katy Community. Harry Woodstrom Motioned that Post 164 create a letter to be sent out into the Community and Businesses asking for Donations towards an Incinerator to burn these unserviceable American Flags. Motion was 2nd by Butch Sparks, discussion was that Harry will prepare this letter, no further discussion, Motion passed.

8. Upcoming Events; (not already covered)

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

10. Executive Committee adjourned at 7:44 pm

William Kennison
Adjutant

Sandy Krum
Commander