**AMERICAN LEGION POST 1799**

**MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL**

**EXCOM BUSINESS MEETING**

**January 27, 2021**

1. Call to Order and Welcoming by the Post Commander at 1810 hours

Opening ceremony was omitted due to the virtual meeting

Opening Prayer – Chaplain

Pledge of Allegiance – Led by the Commander

1. Roll call of Officers – Conducted by the Adjutant

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|  |  | **Present** | **Absent** | **Excused** |
| Post Commander | **Revill** | **X** |  |  |
| 1st Vice Pres | **Seigel** | **X** |  |  |
| 2nd Vice Pres | **Brock** | **X** |  |  |
| Adjutant | **Corrigan** | **X** |  |  |
| Fin Officer | **Walsh** | **X** |  |  |
| JAG | **Wyman** | **X** |  |  |
| PSO | **Alexander** | **X** |  |  |
| Chaplain | **Hackett** | **X** |  |  |
| Public Affairs | **Lazar** |  |  | **X** |
| Sgt at Arms | **Schortemeyer** | **X** |  |  |

Chris Malone was also in attendance.

**Note**: The EXCOM meeting is available to any Legionnaire who wishes to attend. They can contact the Adjutant to receive the ZOOM meeting invite at any time. See the Post Website for dates and times of the meetings.

1. Adjutant Preview of Meeting agenda – Set the order of the meeting as detailed below
2. Minutes of the previous meeting – No previous minutes exist for the last EXCOM meeting in December 2020
3. Finance Offer’s Report (Deleted from public viewing per EXCOM. Members may request data from Adjutant or Finance Officer.)
4. Membership Report - 118 paid/PUFL members
   1. There are 11 members from last year who have not yet renewed and another 14 members who did not renew in 2019 or 2020
   2. The Post Goal, set by the VA Department is 127; the Post is at 93%
5. Program Discussion
   1. **Boys and Girls State (See Post website “News” for additional details.)**
      1. Boys State will be June at Radford Univ
         1. The VA Department has slots for 67 boys, one per HS
         2. Each HS in our Post Area (Battlefield and Patriot) will have one
         3. Dept will make a decision on go/no go and if Virtual will be an option by April of this year
      2. Girls state has decided that they will be virtual only Girls State will make GO/NO GO decision by end of January.
         1. We will nominate two girls
         2. At this point only one is funded, the other will be offered to self-fund if no additionally Post funds are available
      3. Irwin Lazar is the Program lead for these efforts and will solicit assistance for virtual interviewers to conduct the selection process in February.
   2. **End of year awards for Battlefield JROTC students**
      1. Two awards in our yearly plan
         1. Military Excellence
         2. Scholastic Excellence
      2. Currently there is no funding available
6. New Business
   1. Fund Raising
      1. Recognition that we do not have the funds to for the programs above
      2. The Adjutant agreed to send a letter request to all of the active members of the Post
   2. January – June dates for EXCOM and Membership meetings

Meeting Type Date Time Important Activity

EXCOM (v) 24 Feb 1830 H Calendar for the year

(v) 24 Mar 1830 H Appoint Nominating

Committee for 2022

(v) 28 Apr 1830 H Review and vote on

final names for 2022

officer positions

(v) 26 May 1830 H

(v) 23 June 1830 H

Membership (v) 27 Mar 1000 H

(v) 22 May 1000 H Post Election & Installation of officers.

(v) 26 Jun 1000 H

**Note:** v = Virtual mm = Marsh Mansion

* 1. The question was asked concerning National Fundraisers
     1. The Adjutant discussed the 100 Miles for Hope that the National Commander initiated this past fall. For this event, all Legionnaires were sent a notice about the event and asked to send $30 to National to be part of the nationwide event. In return the member would receive a T-shirt and a completion certificate for making to the 100 miles. Individuals were not limited in the miles they traveled and several in our Post were well over 200 miles in the 100 days.
     2. The Department Adjutant has published a note that the new National Commander was contemplating another similar event that would be in early spring, ending on the Memorial Day Weekend. Details will be forthcoming. Our question at the EXCOM is could we piggyback on something like this and allow our members to recruit their family and friends to “sponsor” them in the effort and perhaps donate an amount per whatever measure we are asked to complete. These sponsor funds would be targeted to our Post and the Member would still be required to send the National Commander whatever their participation cost was. More than likely, our Legionnaire would be getting something for their fee.

1. EXCOM Member Discussion Items
   1. Website Update – Bob Wyman provided information on the website and described the need for a Yearly Plan of events so as many Post Members as possible would have the info at their fingertips
   2. The EXCOM asked if COVID-19 Testing and Flu Inoculation information could be put on the Website – Info on Post website front page, www.alpost1799.org
2. Next Meeting Date/Time: Feb 24, 2021
3. Closing Prayer – Delivered by the Chaplin
4. Adjournment – Meeting ended at 1930 H