

American Legion Riders Fallen Heroes Chapter 372
General Membership Meeting Minutes, 19 April 2020

Zoom meeting called to order by Director Joe Maltese at 1005 hrs

Opening Ceremonies

Roll Called: Roster available upon request.

Quorum achieved

21 current members.

Correspondence

No new correspondence.

New Members

No new members.

Introduction of Guests

Kathy Helmly, Auxiliary President.

Reading of the Minutes

The minutes have been posted online.

Motion to accept by Don Crawford, second by Paul Arambula.

Financial Reports

Jim Hansen absent, no report provided. Joe will get with Jim and email the report to members for review.

Officer's Reports

Director – No report.

Assistant Director – No report

Chaplain – No report

Road Captain – no report.

Safety Office – no report.

Quartermaster – There is currently \$50.00 Paul is holding to give to Jim Hansen, Finance Officer.

Committee Reports

No report.

Old Business

Tim Bailey discussed the Bylaws and SOPs. We must have three months of readings in word form and then a vote will be taken in May. A majority of these documents have been standardized by the State. The Standing Rules are customizable at the Chapter level to accommodate for the individual Chapter 's needs.

Changes to Chapter membership requirements include, must have a minimum of 6 riders to qualify for a Chapter. Previously 10 riders were required.

Re: Support members – They must be part of the Legion family. May only support one Chapter. The supporter may serve as an Adjutant or Chaplain but may not hold an elected position. Supporter may vote on all but, new members and issues relating to rider safety.

Required positions are as follows:

Director, Asst. Director, Sgt. At Arms, Chaplain, Road Captain, Safety Officer, Adjutant/Finance.

Elections must be held a no less than 10 days and no more than 90 days prior to Convention.

Re: Chapter Standing Rules:

Sgt. At Arms is considered an optional position, but is considered a required position at the Dept. level. We will strike this clause.

Re: Optional advisory committee:

Must be made up of the Director, Asst. Director and 2 members. We will leave in our current Standing Rules for now.

RE: Finances:

\$500.00 in discretionary funds are available to the Director if the need arises. We will strike the phrase “for extenuating circumstances” from our Standing Rules. This needs further clarification and will be discussed again at our next meeting.

We discussed a “Rider Down” fund.

A motion to accept S.O.P.s and bylaws by Michelle Maze, second by Paul Arambula. Approved by majority vote.

June Crawford will get us the information about T-Shirts. She will email this information to our members. Orange will be our group color. The minimum order is for 40 shirts.

We discussed donating our Project VetRelief funds at the Unity Ride. This will help boost our standings.

New Business

We discussed our ride scheduled for June 7th. Due to the Pandemic we will evaluate whether or not to proceed. A vote will be taken at our May 17th meeting

Don Crawford suggested we donate the proceeds to Posts currently in financial need.

Officer Nominations for 2020-2021:

Director: Chuck Benham

Asst. Director: June Crawford

Chaplain: Reed Bailey

Secretary/Adjutant: Robin Maltese

Treasurer: Jim Hansen

Sgt At Arms: Don Crawford

Asst. Sgt At Arms: Carl Zuber (nominated but not yet accepted).

Road Captain: Don Crawford

Safety Officer: Tim Bailey

Quartermaster: Paul Arambula

Historian: Kathy Helmly

Membership and Webmaster: Michelle Maze

Good of the Riders

Stay Healthy!!

Next meeting May 17, 2020.

Closing Ceremonies

Meeting adjourned 1118hrs

Respectfully submitted, Robin Maltese, Adjutant