



**American Legion
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**Joe Maltese
Commander
2022-2023**



**Barry Litsky
Adjutant
2022-2023**

January 12, 2023

General Assembly Meeting Minutes

General Assembly meeting was convened at 1900 hours.

Meeting was opened by Commander Joe Maltese. Prayer was offered by Chaplain Montenaro. Roll call of officers was taken and a quorum was present.

The meeting included the Auxiliary, SAL and ALR.

The reading of the Executive Committee minutes was waived and approved by the membership.

Membership report prepared by Chairman Bernat is showing our current membership at 176 which places the post at 77.19% of our goal of 228.

Finance Officer Bernat prepared the 372 finance report for November and December which were sent to members via email. A motion to was made to accept the reports subject to audit.

There were three new members voted into the post this month: Robert E. Fischer, Post FL 400AD, Joseph McKinney, Post CA 0741 and Nicholas J. Kotek, Post FL 400AD.

The post will continue to operate under current constitution and by laws until revised by the legion.

Commander Maltese reported that efforts are ongoing to locate a post home.

A thank you letter to the post from Department Commander Eunice Butts for our \$500 donation toward relief efforts for American Legion posts that suffered damage during the hurricane(s) was received.

Alan Painter will contact ACE Hardware to try to arrange for a "Hot Dog" recruiting event in February. He also reported on a program with the Jacksonville Iceman for organizations to serve food and beverages at the arena to earn money for the post.

Mike Montenaro advised the shooters program in suspension this time.

ALR Director Benham advised the riders will conduct a ride on March 26, 2023 to support the post building fund. He also organized the bricks program to solicit donations for our building fund.

A fireside chat will be hosted by Craig & Judy Bernat on 1/21/2023.

Karen Tracy reported on the NEADS service dog program for veterans and non-veterans.

A motion was proposed and accepted to reimburse Commander Maltese \$450 for his personally paying for the rental of the Mandarin Garden Club where we are holding our meetings.

Marty Kaufman suggested that the post conduct a book drive for the USO at the airport.

TALARC, the legion ham radio program is looking for individual posts to participate in running a ham radio station. Equipment is available. Those interested can meet with the group on the second Saturday of the month at Post 250.

The post is looking for members to seek nomination for officer positions as many current officers have been in the posts for several years. A change of leadership is good for the organization.

The meetings was adjourned at 2004 hours.