

## **American Legion Mandarin Post 372**

Celebrating 100 Years of Service to Veterans

# General Assembly Meeting Minutes April 11, 2019

Alan Painter, Commander
\_\_\_\_\_\_, Adjutant
\_\_\_\_\_, Vice Commander
Barry Litsky, Vice Commander
Wayne Lee, Chaplain
Dan Hempsall, Judge Advocate
Don Severns, Finance Officer
Paul Arambula, Sergeant-at-Arms
Charles Benham, Historian
Barry Litsky, Service Officer
Franklin Hunt, Service Officer

#### **Executive Committee:**

Dan Hempsall, Past Commander
Franklin Hunt, Past Commander
Julian Carter
Jim Hughes
Steve Sullivan

#### Committees:

Audit, Steve Sullivan

Americanism, Dan Hempsall

Blood Drive, Brian Lawn

Boys State, Tom Schneider

Cancelled Stamps, Marty Kaufman

Children & Youth, Nicole Squair

Law & Order, Barry Litsky

JROTC, Martin Schwartz

Oratorical, Christopher Matthews

Public Relations, \_\_\_\_\_\_

Social Media, Don Severns

Strategic Planning, Jim Hughes

Teacher of the Year, Nicole Squair

VA&R, Service Officers

The April 11, 2019 General Assembly of The American Legion Mandarin "Fallen Heroes" Post 372, Inc was held at the Mandarin/St. Johns Elks Lodge #2866 with 11 members present.

The meeting was promptly called to order at 7:00 PM by Commander Painter and opening ceremonies were conducted.

#### Guests

• President Kathy Helmly, American Legion Auxiliary Unit 372.

## **Roll Call of Officers**

 Roll call of officers was held, and it was determined that a quorum was present. Excused absences were, Executive Hempsall, Finance Officer Don Severn, Vice Commander Barry Litsky. Absent without notice was Executive Julian Carter, Franklin Hunt.

#### **Minutes**

- The Commander reported that the March 14, 2019 minutes are posted online.
- Motion to suspend the reading of the minutes from the March 14, 2019
   General Assembly and approve them as posted online was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

#### Correspondence

No Correspondence

## Reading in of New or Transferring Members

Name	<b>Branch of Service</b>	War Era	Eligibility
Clint Steele	United States Army	Persian Gulf	New Member 2019

Motion to approve new and transferring members was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

## Officers' Reports

#### Commander Painter

Announced that Sheri Rodriguez is no longer our adjutant and we are all doing our best to fill in her shoes.

Commander Painter is taking over minutes from general meeting and Don Severns will be doing membership.

The Post's membership stands as follows:

- Post membership is at 213
- 97.37% renewed per Department
- Our American Legion Riders chapter is at 26 members
- Our Sons of the American Legion is at 16 members which is 133.33% of their goal. They re ranked #2 behind Hilliard in the 5<sup>th</sup> District.
- Vice-Commander Litsky NO REPORT

## • Finance Officer Don Severn's Report was presented by Steve Sullivan

Report submitted. Motion made to approve pending audit made, seconded, and unanimously passed.

## **Program and Committee Reports**

### Oratorical

No Report

#### Social Media

No Report

#### • Cancelled Stamp Program

The Cancelled Stamp Resolution has been submitted up the chain of command. The resolution is pending presentation at Convention.

Marty Kaufman gave us an update on the program and its mission.

## School Medals Program

Commander Painter reminded everyone that the awards are coming soon and we will need presenters at the schools and asked for volunteers.

Volunteers were

Phillip Hawley
Jim Hughes
Charles Benham
Clint Steele

#### **Old Business**

- Additional discussion about the status of a future Post home included a smoking policy.
  - Motion to make our future Post Home a non-smoking facility with a designated smoking area was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.
- Comrade Sullivan stated that he would schedule the 3rd quarter audit and have it ready for next month's general assembly.
- Commander Painter reminded everyone about the Membership Rally at Hagan Ace Hardware Monday May 27, 2019 Memorial Day. Barry Litsky is in charge of the Membership Rally.

#### **New Business**

- Charles Benham was nominated for Vice Commander by Paul Arambula for the upcoming elections. Charles Benham Accepted the nomination.
- Commander Painter announced that he would not be attending the June Meeting because he would be out of town on business. He will attend the State Convention at the end of June though.

## **Closing Ceremony**

- Commander announced upcoming meetings as posted on the website calendar. Closing ceremonies were conducted.
- The General Assembly adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Alan W Painter

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