

THE AMERICAN LEGION-POST 21  
126 Atlantic Street NE — McMinnville — OR — 97128  
General Membership Meeting — July 17, 2019

**ROLL CALL:**

Commander — Steve Farley, **present**  
First Vice — Robert Berweger, **present**  
Second Vice — Terry Ward, **present**  
Finance Officer — Gale Sears, **excused**  
Adjutant — Shirley Brown, **present**  
Judge Advocate — Steve Randles, **present**  
Service Officer — Juan Palacios, **present**

Chaplain — Thomas Clayton, **present**  
Historian — Leroy Brown, **present**  
Sgt. At Arms — Ron Grose, **present**  
At Large — Paul Schnell, **present**  
At Large — Sam Fields, **present**  
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**Guest: Michael Warrance** — Ground Operations for the Air Show. Riders have been invited to attend the opening ceremonies for the Air Show. Would like to see McMinnville post assist in the preparations for the air show need 10-12 people to help construct and tear down a temporary fence. Construction to start on 9/17 and must be removed on Sunday 9/22. Work involves ponding t-posts in about one foot and attaching fencing materials. After some discussion it was decided that Bob Berweger is the PIC and will coordinate with the Air Show folks.

**Member Chris Seiber:** This would like to see the Colors of the 41<sup>st</sup> Brigade displayed at the Post. **Motion:** By Paul Schnell that the Colors of the 41<sup>st</sup> Brigade be displayed in the honor room for a period not to exceed 3 months. — Seconded by S. Randles — Passed. **Motion:** by Paul Schnell that the post purchase a flag standard for displaying the 41<sup>st</sup> Colors not to exceed \$200. — seconded by S. Randles — Passed.

**New member:** Kevin Keister retired from the Army in 2016 — Motion by P. Schnell that we accept him as a new member — Seconded by T. Campbell — Passed.

**Minutes:** Motion by P. Schnell Seconded by T. Campbell that Minutes be approved — Passed.

**Finance:** Steve Randles gave the report for Finance officer. = Total Liquid Assets = \$62,183. Steve stated that the cost of business is becoming costly and we need to start watching our pennies. **Motion:** by Shirley Brown, seconded by Leroy Brown that we accept the finance report as presented. Passed.

**Commanders Report:** Steve Farley reported that there are still issues with bookkeeper with entries and timeliness of entries will be meeting with bookkeeper and club manager. Presentation of 100% membership ribbon, thank you all for making this happen again this year!

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice:** Help is needed for the Garage Sale. Set-up starting on Monday and tear down Sunday afternoon. Upcoming events — Pet Heroes' Auction — August 24; Pierogi's by the Son's on September 28<sup>th</sup>; DEC — 29<sup>th</sup>.

**Service Officer:** Received a request from a Veteran who needs a ramp built.

**Chaplain:** Tomas Clayton stated that both Gene Hamilton and Bill Pankey are out of the hospital and on the way to recovery. Volunteer hours: 170 Army; 319 — Navy; 32 — USMC; 8 — Air Force. Volunteer hours are what you do for and in the community including the travel time back and forth.

**At Large:** Paul Schnell thanked Gale for creating the form for fund raisers. Thanked everyone who showed in Sheridan. Scholarship Poker Run is now set for September 7<sup>th</sup> — volunteers are needed.

**Sgt. at Arms:** Will be painting the rest of the parking lot soon.

**Auxiliary:** Asking for volunteers to help with the Garage Sale — work party starting on the 29<sup>th</sup> "BYOG" bring your own gloves. In need of shade canopies, a trailer to help haul items, and people to help set-up and tear down...

**Riders:** Rider Scholarship is on September 7<sup>th</sup>. Volunteer are need for logistics, registration, Silent Auction. I you can help see any one of the riders. Veteran's Pow/Wow in Grand Ronde Aug 16-17-18.

**House Committee:** Ted Campbell stated that there has been a lot of housekeeping as of late. Many other things to be done, if you have time to help please see Ted.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Need a volunteer for the Open at Large Position – Jim Connelly volunteered.

**Rich Pimm:** Explained that he has used all the funds allotted for purchasing Superheroes. **Motion;** by R. Pimm that the post provide an additional \$200 to for the Superheroes project. Seconded by P. Schnell – Passed.

**Judge Advocate:** S. Randles read the changes to the B-laws incorporated the UVG as a Committee of Post 21.

***United Veterans Honor Guard Committee (UVHG):***

***Section #1:*** The UVHG will maintain separate standard operating procedures approved by the Post Executive Board.

***Section #2:*** The UVHG is to secure Executive Board approval for all uniforms, advertisements, banners, public announcements, and any other public-facing representations. All representations must clearly state UVHG's affiliation with American Legion Post 21. For example, "The American Legion Post 21 United Veterans Honor Guard."

***Section #3:*** The UVHG funds shall be deposited into a UVHG account in a bank selected and approved by the Executive Committee and the Commander of the UVHG. Funds shall be distributed by withdrawal requests, or checks signed by the UVHG Commander or UVHG Finance Officer and any one (1) of the following: The Post Commander, Post Finance Officer or the Assistant UVHG Commander. The account can only be used for UVHG purposes.

Funds contributed or donated to the UVHG will be accounted for toward the UVHG and processed through the American Legion Post account. Funds will be deposited into the Post account for distribution to the UVHG. A monthly accounting of UVHG funds will be provided to the Finance Committee or Post Finance Officer for posting to the post-accounting records no later than 3 days prior to the monthly executive board meeting.

***Section #4:*** Failure to provide financial information after one (1) monthly Executive Committee meeting will result in a warning. After two (2) or more consecutive months will result in a review of the UVHG and notification from the Executive Committee recommending the closure of the UVHG account if not reconciled. Upon approval, the remaining.

**Motion:** by S. Brown that we accept the changes to the by-laws accepting the UVHG as a Committee of Post 21. – Seconded by Leroy Brown – PASSED.

**FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:** Angel Mendoza – Law Enforcement Camp August 3-9. Have a total of 12 boys and 11 girls attending. Post 21 Honor Guard will present colors at graduation ceremony.

Deb Sieber having hip surgery this Friday – keep her in your thoughts.

Thomas Clayton reported the following volunteer hours for June/July: 170 - Army; 319 – Navy; 32 – USMC; 8 – Air Force. YTD hours = \$1,041.5 – remember to write your hours down. Volunteer hours are what you do for and in the community including the travel time back and forth.

Adjourned.