



American Legion Post 408 Business Meeting January 2024.

At 7:03 pm Jan. 4, 2024 a quorum was present of 24 Legion Members and 1 guest. The meeting opened with a prayer offered by Chaplain Mike Bulger and a moment of silence for the POW/MIA. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Post Commander. The American Legion Preamble was led by the Commander. Command Tackett declared the John M. West, Derby-Haysville Post 408, Department of Kansas business session convened.

1. Roll call:
 - 1st Vice**, Terry Gowen-present
 - 2nd Vice**, Hugh Clare-present
 - Adjutant**, John McCullough-present
 - Finance Officer**, Joe Dinino-present
 - Service Officer**, Daniel McKelvey-absent
 - Sgt. of Arms**: Jim Eliason-present
 - Chaplain**, Michael Bulger-present
 - Historian**, Open
 - Executive Committee**, Morris Short present, Joe Williams absent, Dick Helzer present
 - Public Relations Officer**: Mike Saindon- present
 - Judge Advocate**: Terry Marr- present
2. Introduction of guests and prospective members as read by Commander Tackett.
 - a. **Motion**: Joe Dinino made motion to accept new members
 - b. **2nd by**: Mike Bulger seconded, new members, motion passed

- c. **Discussion:** new members – Steven Trainer; Larry Haden; Adam Hardley; Brian Stensen; Debbie Womack (transfer from 406)
- 3. The December meeting minutes are ready to be read.
 - a. **Motion to:** Joe Denino made motion to accept meeting minutes as posted
 - b. **2nd by:** Dale Dabney seconded, minutes approved, motion passed.
 - c. **Discussion: None**
- 4. The finance report was read by Joe Dinino.
 - a. **Motion to:** Terry Marr made motion to accept the December Finance Report;
 - b. **2nd by:** Mike Bulger seconded, Finance report approved, motion passed,
 - c. **Discussion: None**
- 5. Officer and Committee Reports:
 - 2nd Vice POW/MIA Report:** Hugh Claire reported – attached
 - Adjutant report:** John McCullough reported 3 new members to vote in.
 - Motion to:** John McCullough motioned to vote new members;
 - 2nd by:** Joe Denino second motion to accept new members, motion approved. Vote accepted.
 - Discussion: None**
 - Post Service Officer Report:** No report
 - Auxiliary:** No report
 - Chaplain Report:** Starting Feb 18th non-denominational church service will be held at the Post 408, Mike Bulger Post Chaplain.
 - SAL:** Mike Saindon report attached
 - Legion Riders Report:** Laurie Hickle nominated for Co-Director. Activities Current raffle for black stone grill
 - Motion:** to accept Lauri Hickle as ALR Co-Director
 - 2nd :** Steve Hines
 - BOG:** Mike Saindon report attached; screening extension pushed to March
 - Motion:** Terry Marr made motion to accept report of BOG activities
 - 2nd by:** Doug Sherwood seconded motion; motion approved.
 - Discussion: None**
 - Next entity in rotation** for fundraising is SAL.
 - Foundation:** Mike Saindon reported for Rhonda, Legion petitioned Foundation to fund new heating/ac at cost of \$6,273.
 - Fundraising Committee:** next activities March 2nd Pancake Feed; April Derby Starving Artist; June 15th Golf Tourney and Smoke on the Plains; July Damn Jam; November 2nd Pancake Feed
 - Public Relations:** 5th District Oratorical; Mid Winter Forum; Feb 14th Valentines Dinner; Feb 17th Haysville Chili Cook Off; Super Bowl Party; March 16th Birthday Party
 - By Laws – change – accepted**
 - Motion to:** Terry Marr motion to accept
 - 2nd by:** Dick Helzer seconded; motion approved
 - Discussion: None**
 - Children and Youth:** No report.
 - Boys State–** request use of the Post (no date yet)
 - Cadet Law**
 - Oratorical –** Post will be hosting 1/27/24

Golf: Joe Dinino reported first meeting will be Feb 2024 at the Derby Country Club. Volunteers and Golfers receive gifts. Lunch is provided.

Parade: No report

Motion to accept Officers and Committee Reports: Hugh Clare
motion to accept committee reports;

2nd by: Steve Hines seconded ; motion approved

Discussion: None.

6. Old Business:

- a. New tables in Banquet Hall
- b. Received thanks from families sponsored by Post for Christmas, very appreciative. Five (5) families
- c. BOG Menu: Legion 2nd Thursday; Jan meatloaf; Feb rotisserie chicken; March chicken fried steak
- d. Sign up volunteer sheets are now available for up coming events

7. New Business: Items brought up for the “Good of Post 408”

- a. **Motion to approve:** None
- b. **2nd by:**

8. **I will now accept a motion to close this business session** – Joe Dinino; **2nd by** all. Motion passed.

9. Commander Tackett declared the business session closed @ 8:30 pm.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Attendance
2. POW/MIA Report
3. BOG Finance Report
4. Thank Yous: VA;