



Minutes

11/14/2018

7:00 pm

Type of meeting:	American Legion Post 105—GENERAL Meeting
Presiding Officer:	David Collins
Note Taker:	John Robinson, Adjutant

ROLL CALL	OFFICER	NAME	P	E	A	NOTES
	COMMANDER	DAVID COLLINS	x			
	1 ST	ROMIE BASSETTO	x			
	2 ND	LEO MC ARDLE	x			
	3 rd VICE, MEMBER at LARGE	GEORGE SILVA			A	
	JUDGE ADVOCATE, HISTORIAN	WILLIAM JACKSON JR	x			
	CHAPLAIN	DENNIS LOPEZ	x			
	ADJUTANT	JOHN ROBINSON	x			
	TREASURER					
	SGT@ARMS, MEMBER at LARGE	MICHAEL TOSCHAK	x			
	MEMBER at LARGE	CHESTER PALLESO	x			
	MEMBER at LARGE	JERRY BAKER			A	
	MEMBER at LARGE	MIKE BUCKLEY			A	

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS	Guest Name:	Guest of:

MINUTES	<p>The Minutes of General Meeting October 10, 2018 were read by John Robinson. The meeting did not have a quorum and was an informational meeting only.</p> <p>The Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting October 17, 2018 were read by John Robinson. The meeting did not have a quorum and was an informational meeting only.</p>
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CORRESPONDENCE	<p>Item 1.</p> <p>Item 2.</p>
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REPORTS	<p>Report By: 1st Vice Romie Bassetto. New member John Frederick Morgan of Menlo Park was accepted into the Post by vote. He will need help with transportation getting to the Post meetings. Billy James from Redwood City is applying for membership & we are waiting for his DD214.</p> <p>Post 105 82 sitting at 71%. Leaders on the membership are sitting at 63%. Romie has sent out a 2nd letter about renewing membership. He is following up on why some people declined to renew.</p>
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	<p>Report By: 2nd Vice Leo McArdle. Over 40 people have replied to attend the Early Bird Dinner.</p> <p>Dinners at the Post General Meeting is served at 6pm.</p>
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	<p>Report By: Historian William Jackson, Jr. William took pictures of October's BBQ at Menlo Park. He sends them to the commander for the website. Two weeks after that he took pictures at the Menlo Park BBQ and Car Show. He took pictures at the Veteran of the Year ceremony. William photographed the Veteran's Day program at the Redwood City Courthouse Square. He commended Mike Toschak on how good the website looks and how quickly the pictures are posted on it. William also said there may be new members coming to the post who attended the program at the Courthouse Square.</p>
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		Report By: Chaplain Dennis Lopez. Contact him with any information and recommended that his contact info be put on the website so people can contact him with news about other vets.		
		Report By: George Smith on activities in the area. - Veterans Commission is working on finding out what veterans in San Mateo County need. So far, homeless veterans in the county have received help or already have help or have rejected help. Next is working on helping those who are transitioning from temporary housing to permanent housing. The Central Peninsula Church provides many household goods for them.		
		Coby gave out information sheets about the pool facilities in the Menlo Park and Palo Alto Veterans Hospitals.		
	OLD BUSINESS	None		
	NEW BUSINESS	<p>Item 1. Mike Toschak said the post website address is www.AmericanLegionPost105rwc.org If you have information for the web let him know. He'd like to add links & info about veteran discounts. toschak@sbcglobal.net is Mike's email address. He is starting a Google Calendar for events.</p> <p>Item 2. Finance Officer position is open and George Smith has volunteered, so there is the option of nominating him and taking a vote tonight. Chester Palesoo nominated George Smith for Financial Officer. Romie Bassetto seconded the nomination. He was voted in unanimously.</p> <p>Item 3. Mike Buckley was elected an Executive Board Member at Large, however since the last election he has not attended any board meetings. Romie Bassetto made the motion to declare the position open. William Jackson, Jr seconded the motion. Motion passed. A letter to the membership proclaiming the position open will be sent to the membership.</p> <p>Item 4. Raising the dues. The dues are currently \$35. George Smith sent info telling what posts around us charge. Most charge \$45 and the highest is \$50. Romie motioned to raise the dues to \$45. Chester seconded the motion. Discussion: Frank said that in the past the post had a function to raise money rather than raise dues. William and others said that functions are not well attended and lose money. Romie said it's a good deal when you pay \$35 for dues and get a \$50 Early Bird dinner in return. Romie and William both said we lose money on membership, so dues must be raised. The question passed by a majority with one nay vote from Frank Martinez.</p>		
	GOOD OF THE LEGION	<p>George Smith presented a certificate in appreciation of the Post hosting the 2nd California American Legion College. Romie and George gave a brief report on how the College went. William said that as Historian he was not allowed into the College to take pictures.</p> <p>January 7, 2019 the National Commander will be in the area and will stop in for a meet and greet and lunch.</p>		
	POT o' GOLD	Large: Robert Teague \$250 Small: #782730		

OTHER ISSUES			
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DISCUSSION:			
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