



# MINUTES

03/09/2022  
7:00 pm

<b>Type of meeting:</b>	American Legion Post 105—General Membership Meeting
<b>Presiding Officer:</b>	George Smith, Commander
<b>Note Taker</b>	John Robinson, Adjutant

<b>ROLL CALL</b>	<b>OFFICER</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>A</b>	NOTES: (Elected positions with grey highlight are not voting members)
	COMMANDER	GEORGE SMITH	X			
	1 <sup>ST</sup>	TOM DAY	X			
	2 <sup>ND</sup>	LEO MCARDLE	X			
	3 <sup>RD</sup>	WILLIAM JACKSON, JR.	X			
	JUDGE ADVOCATE	WILLIAM JACKSON, JR.	X			
	CHAPLAIN	COBBEY SOVA	X			
	ADJUTANT	JOHN ROBINSON	X			
	TREASURER	VERN MULL	X			
	SGT at ARMS	AL ROSENMILLER	X			
	HISTORIAN	WILLIAM JACKSON, JR.	X			
	VSO	CHESTER PALESOO	X			
	JR. PAST COMMANDER	ROMIE BASSETTO	X			
	MEMBER@LRG	CHESTER PALESOO	X			
	MEMBER@LRG	WILLIAM JACKSON, JR.	X			
MEMBER@LRG	MICHAEL TOSCHAK	X				
MEMBER@LRG	ROBERT MEADE			X		
MEMBER@LRG	ROMIE BASSETTO	X				
MEMBER@LRG	JOHN ROBINSON	X				

<b>INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS</b>	<b>GUEST NAME:</b>	
	Carol Rael, ALA President	Carol Bagley, ALA
	Peggy Toye, ALA District 26 President	Joyce Burns, ALA
	Amy Walsh, Blue Star Moms President	Mark Clifford, veteran outreach

<b>GENERAL MEETING MINUTES February 9, 2022 Distributed electronically</b>	<b>MOTION TO ACCEPT BY:</b>	Romie Bassetto	<b>SECOND BY:</b>	Leo McArdle
	<b>DISCUSSION/ CORRECTION</b>			
	<b>PASSED:</b>	X	YES	NO

<b>E-BOARD MINUTES</b>	<b>MOTION TO ACCEPT BY:</b>		<b>SECOND BY:</b>	
	<b>DISCUSSION/ CORRECTION</b>			
	<b>PASSED:</b>		YES	NO

<b>CORRESPONDENCE</b>	<b>FROM</b>	None
	<b>DISCUSSION/ ACTIONS</b>	

<b>REPORTS</b>	<b>REPORT BY:</b>	George Smith, Commander *On March 7, 2022, Tonga Consul General the Honorable Sela Tukia, came to the Post to receive a check for \$800 for relief for Tonga. Donations came from the American Legion Family, Amvets, VVA, U.S. Volunteers, and Blue Star Moms. The Blue Star Moms charter requires
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		<p>donations go to organized veterans groups, so they participated by giving as individuals.</p> <p>*We are working on setting up a relief fund for the Ukraine. George will reach out county-wide to other organizations to ask for donations.</p> <p>*March 11<sup>th</sup> George is going to the Department of California and talking to the State Commander about getting the SAL charter reinstated.</p> <p>*A Shriners member is going to repair the kitchen leak.</p> <p>*George didn't receive any response to an email to the membership asking for help fixing the main hall ceiling, so he will contact businesses to get ceiling repair bids.</p> <p>*March 30<sup>th</sup> is Commander's Coffee. We are acknowledging our Vietnam Veterans that day, and will have pins to give to those in attendance.</p> <p>*George expressed his appreciation to Tom Day who is on each current committee of Post 105.</p>
	REPORT BY:	<p>Tom Day, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice</p> <p>*We have 184 active members.</p> <p>*Tom rolled the dice to see which member won a free one-year membership. The winner wasn't in attendance and lost the winnings.</p>
	REPORT BY:	<p>Leo McArdle, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice</p> <p>*Leo noted a good attendance for dinner tonight and asked people to let him know of any ideas for meals. Also, if anyone has a dietary restriction please let Leo know.</p>
	REPORT BY:	<p>John Robinson, Adjutant</p> <p>*John asked that people using the building to be sure to close the windows before leaving.</p> <p>*He reported that the Girl Scouts will be meeting at MacDonald Hall starting March 15<sup>th</sup>.</p>
	REPORT BY:	<p>William Jackson, Jr., 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice</p> <p>Boys State: the candidates withdrew at the very last minute. William contacted the District Chair and was given leeway to get replacements and there is a chance that he can get new boys.</p>
	REPORT BY:	<p>Romie Bassetto, Jr. Past Commander</p> <p>*The building project is expected to be shovel-ready summer 2024.</p> <p>*Bingo could be ready to start in July 2022.</p>
	DISCUSSION:	<p>George Smith said that if bingo is held two days a week we could pay our financial bills, and if it is held three days a week we could repay the building fund for the money we've had to use.</p>
	REPORT BY:	<p>Vern Mull, Financial Officer</p> <p>There were two large bills that required using building fund money. One was \$11,600 for lawyers and the other was \$1600 for PG&amp;E.</p> <p>Rentals: One in March, two in April, and every weekend in May.</p>
	DISCUSSION:	<p>George Smith commented that the lawyer's bills were for five months. He contacted the lawyer and asked for a monthly billing.</p>
	REPORT BY:	<p>Cobbey Sova, Chaplain</p> <p>No news to report.</p>
	REPORT BY:	<p>Chester Palesoo, VSO</p> <p>Progress for the VSO is going well.</p>

	REPORT BY:	Andrew Trapani, Riders Director and Sons Commander *The Riders went on 14 missions, 1802 miles, 293 volunteer hours, and 11 honor guard details in the last month. Group miles totalled 4,655. Al Rosenmiller is a new member of the honor guard. We didn't participate in the birthday half-marathon which netted \$630 for the Riders and \$90 for Post 105. The Riders donated \$100 for Tongan relief. *The Sons donated \$55 to the Post, seven missions and 708 miles. The Sons donated \$100 for Tongan relief.
	REPORT BY:	Amy Walsh, Blue Star Moms President *Amy thanked those who participated in the Chipotle fundraiser. The next fundraiser is March 17 at any Panda Express. Orders must be made online using the link on BSM website. *May 14 <sup>th</sup> at 9 A.M. at the Post will be packing boxes for homeless veterans.
	REPORT BY:	Carol Rael, ALA President *The ALA contributed \$100 for Tongan relief. It was a pleasure to meet Tongan Consul General Sula Tukia on Monday. *April 2 <sup>nd</sup> the Department President is visiting our district. The Riders will escort her to Post 82 where District 26 has a luncheon planned. Several members of our unit will be at the lunch meeting. *April 9 <sup>th</sup> we will stuff envelopes for the upcoming Poppy Drive fundraiser. *May 14 <sup>th</sup> we will assist the Blue Star Moms pack boxes for veterans. *June 11 <sup>th</sup> is a dinner dance at the post. This event is for the entire post family. There is a live band coming and of course dinner and the bar will be open. The bar is no-host. More information to come.
	REPORT BY:	Peggy Toye, ALA District 26 President May 15 is the Girls State Tea at Unit 585 in San Carlos.
	INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS	Al Rosenmiller, Sergeant-at-Arms *Al introduced four guests. *He thanked Mark Clifford for his veteran outreach report about Warrior Week at Camp Southern Ground. Mark gave this report before the meeting officially started.
	<b>OLD BUSINESS</b>	None
	<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>	None
	<b>OTHER ISSUES FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER</b>	Leo McArdle Leo thanked the Post Family for providing final military honors for those who needed them. In particular, for the ceremonies that occurred while Leo was out of town.
	Cobbey Sova	Vietnam Veterans of America, Oakland will pick up men's clothing and other items if you call for pick-up. George Smith will get the phone number out to everyone.
	Michael Toschak	Minutes of the General Membership Meeting are on the website. Look for them in the drop-down menu under "Post105." Subscribe to the blog for notifications of new information posted on the web. We can help you subscribe. <a href="http://www.americanlegionpost105rwc.org">www.americanlegionpost105rwc.org</a>

		Andrew Trapani	March 12 is packing rice for needy families. The event is sponsored by Bay Area Global Outreach Lions Club, Skylawn, and Rise for Hunger.
	<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>		