

AMERICAN LEGION POST 98  
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

May 8, 2019

1. Meeting was called to order at 1900 hours by the Cdr Mike Pelton. Twenty Legion members were in attendance. A Quorum was present.
2. Ed English offered the opening and closing prayers. Sgt at Arms Joe Pigg placed the MIA/POW Flag.
3. The minutes of the immediate past Executive Board and General Membership Meetings were approved following a motions by Art Angelica and Cliff Van Allen 2<sup>nd</sup>'s by Don Wheaton and Joe Pigg.
4. The Finance Report was approved followed by motions of Joe Pigg 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed Pelton.
5. Bills to be paid were approved following a motion by Pedro Rodriguez 2<sup>nd</sup> Jim Roof.
6. Correspondence for the Department Cdr was read congratulating the Post Cdr on making the 100% membership goal. Dan Rangel and Carl Laks were awarded pins for bringing in new members.
7. Jack Thomson the Judge Advocate stated he is working with the City to recover lawsuit expenditures.
8. Pedro Rodriguez reported on the new VA appeals process.
9. An article is to appear in the Coral Gables newspaper regarding the financial issues confronting the Post.
10. School and JROTC Medals have been distributed.
11. The Cdr gave an update on his health. His heart is experiencing failure and he is now a candidate for a heart transplant. He is not stepping down and asked for the member's support while he confronts his health issues.
12. The Adj and Finance Officer met with the Cub and Boys Scouts at St. Theresa's church to establish a mutually supportive relationship.
13. Janet and Ed English attended the Police Memorial Ceremony in Coral Gables representing the Post.
14. The Cdr expressed his gratitude for the work done on the newsletter by Cliff Van Allen and Gary Ruse.

15. \$200 was donated to help homeless vets, motion by Joe Pigg 2<sup>nd</sup> Pedro Rodriguez.
16. Joe Medina cautioned safety regarding fumes inhaled while retiring flags by fire.
17. The Cdr donated his per diem for the convention to the Post building fund.
18. The Commander adjourned the meeting at 1945 hours.

Respectfully submitted:

Paul Kruger, Adjutant