Woodbury American Legion

-----The Fighting 501st-----

Post 501 Membership Meeting, 25 June 2026

Meeting called to order, by Commander Dolan, with opening ceremonies at 6:35PM.

Previous Meeting's Minutes

-- Meeting minutes from membership meeting (27 May) were reviewed. Due to road construction delays, Paul Lindahl was not present for start of the meeting and had tried to fill in minutes from talking to other members. Commander Dolan indicated that minutes were not accurate and should be revised.

Financial Report

-- Post 501 financial report (June), referencing checking account balance of $ 16,167,08, savings account balance of $ 5.00, and certificate of deposit account balance of $ 11,490.05 with total account balance of $ 27,662.13, was approved as presented.

Membership

Currently 120 members are paid through end of the year. Department has established our goal of 126 members through year end (30June)

Service Officer

-- Post 501/Post 9024 picnic is scheduled at Carver Lake Park on 18 August. Post 501 will have a booth at Woodbury Days and participate in the parade on Sunday, 30 August. September poppy distribution is scheduled 11, 12, 13 September. We are confirming locations but expect to distribute at same six locations as in May.

Communications

Donation Committee

-- Motion, second, discussed and approved to donate $ 200.00 to South Washington County Cares, East Ridge Kick-Off Program for teachers and administrative personnel.

Unfinished Business

-- **Boys State**

Boys state attendees (Andrew Christiansen and Parker Rowley) have been invited to a Post 501 meeting to discuss their experiences at boys state.

-- Tim Crear Recognition/Remembrance

Commander Dolan indicated Tim's wife would like a paver for Tim at the Veterans Memorial. Discussion focused on purchasing a paver with individual member donations, not post funds to prevent issues when deciding whether or not to purchase paver for a member. VFW Post 9024 Commander Lindahl will talk to Post 9024 members regarding donations for the paver. If donations exceed $ 300.00, the excess funds will be donated to the Minesota National Guard Teen/Youth Camp.

-- Honor Guard Revenue/Expenses

Discussion resulted in membership confirming that honor/color Guard is a joint endeavor and that the two posts should share revenue and expenses. In the last eighteen months, VFW Post has incurred expenses (uniforms, alterations, supplies, etc) of $817.14 and received revenue of $ 450.00 (VFW funeral stipends, family donations, etc.).

-- Audit Committee

Audit Committee will meet on 30 June to conduct Post 501 financial review.

-- Legion Baseball

Members are encouraged to attend baseball games. Upcoming games scheduled on 30 June/1 July at East Ridge and Woodbury Classic 10/11 July at Woodbury.

-- Toys for Tots

Networking with Chamber of Commerce continues.....meetings scheduled on 8 and 21 July.

-- Post 501/Post 9024 Picnic

Picnic is scheduled on Tuesday, 18 August at Carver Lake Park.

-- Woodbury Days

Woodbury days is scheduled 27-30 August. Post 501 will have a booth for the three days and participate in parade on Sunday.

New Business

- Woodbury Days Budget

Motion made, seconded, discussed and approved to spend anticipated expenses of $ 700.00 associated with Woodbury Days booth, wheel giveaway prizes, etc.

Post 501 Officers

Officers for 2026-2027 we elected.

Announcements

-- Poppies

Commander Dolan mentioned that he will be ordering poppies. September distribution will be Post 501 poppies.

-- Closing Ceremonies

Meeting adjourned at 7:55PM

Next meeting scheduled at 6:30PM on 23 July at Jerrys Foods.

Respectfully submitted
Paul Lindahl