



Woodbury American Legion
-----*The Fighting 501st*-----

Post 501 Membership Meeting
Meeting Minutes 24 August 2023

Guest:

Charles Kenow, Believet Canine, summarized the program which trains and places service dogs with disabled veterans, seeking support for the organization.

Meeting called to order, with opening ceremonies at 6:50PM.

Previous Meeting's Minutes

Meeting minutes from 27 July were reviewed and approved.

Financial Report

Post financial report, referencing checking account balance of \$ 15,465.16, saving account balance of \$ 5.00, and certificate of deposit account balance of \$ 10,263.05, total account balance of \$ 25,733.21 was approved.

Membership

The current membership report reflects 78 members, paid for this year, with goal of 133 members paid by 30 June 2024.

Service Officer

September poppy distribution scheduled 8, 9, 10 September. We need volunteers to staff two shifts on each of three days, at six locations. Woodbury VFW Post 9024 applied and was awarded a \$ 1,000.00 grant from the Woodbury Community Foundation (WCF). Application requested financial support for expenses associated with Memorial Day Program. Post 501 will participate in Welcome to Woodbury Event, scheduled on 9 November.

Communications

Commander Dolan announced that Post 501 website has been updated and that recent Legionnaire included picture of our Boys State representative.

Donation Committee

Donation to Veterans Camp on Big Marine was discussed with determination that donation of \$ 500.00 was made in May and no further action taken. Donation of \$ 500.00 to Legionville was discussed and approved.

Unfinished Business

Woodbury Days booth provided contact with several individuals. Membership information was disseminated, and contact was made with a potential Eagle Scout of the Year nominee.

New Business

Prioritizing Donations

There was discussion relative to how we can best prioritize donations to maximize impact and respond to Legion philosophy in supporting several different charities/causes/projects, etc.

Buddy Poppy Program

September distribution 8, 9, 10 September at same locations as May distribution. Volunteers needed to staff two shifts, three days, at six locations.

Closing Ceremonies and Prayer

Meeting adjourned at 7:40PM

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Lindahl