



The American Legion, Post 22
 Regular Membership Meeting - Minutes
 November 17th, 2021 at 6 P.M.

Opening Ceremonies (Commander) (6 P.M.) Started 18:00

- Post and salute the colors
- Chaplain offers prayer (remove cap)
- POW/MIA empty chair (Sergeant-at-Arms)
- Pledge of Allegiance (re-cover cap upon completion)
- Recite Preamble of Constitution of The American Legion
- Roll call to determine if quorum is present (min of 10 members): 28 present.

Follow with officer roll call:

Present / Absent / Excused

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| a. Commander (L. Tolsma) | X | | |
| b. 1 st Vice Commander (Van Delist) | X | | |
| c. 2 nd Vice Commander (R. Skjoldal) | X | | |
| d. Adjutant (D. Harris) | | X | X |
| e. Finance Officer (P. Rodriguez) | X | | |
| f. Chaplain (B. Jeffery) | X | | |
| g. Historian (C. Douglas) | X | | |
| h. Sergeant-at-Arms (D. Dosch) | X | | |

- Minutes of previous meeting – Electronically posted on website:
<https://www.alpost22rcsd.com/mtg-minutes-etc> (Adjutant)
- Introduction of guests and prospective new members (Applicable host)
 - o Presentation of the 40/8 Nursing Scholarships (Van Delist/Tolsma) - Linda Swier- Nursing Student at WDT was presented a \$1000 scholarship by Paul from the 40/8.
 - o New members: Andrew Bennett, USAF Cryptologist, Anita Hartl, USN Aviation Admin, Emma Finch, Women’s Army Corps
- Committee Reports
 - o **Finance** (Rodriguez): All as of **11/17/21**
 - Business: \$
 - Membership: \$
 - Benevolence: \$
 - Americanism: \$
 - SAL: \$
 - Capital Improvement Savings: \$
 - Scholarship Account: \$
 - Building Repair Loan: \$
 - o **Membership** (Van Delist): 2021 Membership year starts 1 July 2020 = **Goal is 583.**

- Paid so far 445 = **76% of goal**
- Longevity Pins/Patches
 - 10 Yrs: Dennis Littel, USA
- Post 22 Commanders Challenge: Anyone who recruits 3 new members wins a steak dinner. Results to date:
 - Doug Harris 7 (Received his dinner)
 - L. Tolsma: 4 (Bought his own)
 - C. Van Delist: 3
 - Don Fuller: 3
 - John Rankin: 2
 - G. Van Delist: 2
 - Lisa Jendry: 1
 - Ryan Skjoldal: 1
 - Bill Jeffery: 1
 - Don Dosch: 1
 - Rickey Jendry: 1
 - Paul Rodriguez: 1
 - John Schneider: 1
 - Ray Andrews: 1
- AL Riders Report (Fleming/Ball) – No update, no members present.
- Post 22 Auxiliary Report (T. Curry): Toni Fuller, Thanks for the note RE Veterans Day meal. Awaiting if they can serve Christmas meal at Hot Spring VA Home. Invites all to come out for BINGO, Tuesdays at 6:30pm.
- Americanism (Fuller):
 - Upcoming Oratorical Competition (December 5th at 1 P.M. at Classroom BLDG on SDSMT). Four students signed up so far.
 - Harris addressed the Black Hills Area Council (Boys Scouts) on the “Big 3” (Oratorical/Boys State/Youth Trooper Academy) November 11th. Two of the boys we sent to Boys State in 2021 have since become Eagle Scouts.
- Athletic Officer (B. Garcia): Lyle update. No updates
- Sick call, relief and employment (B. Jeffery): One death James Walton. Contact from lonely local vet who he will visit with in the next week.
- Post Service Officer report (Van Delist)
 - Support provided in referrals to four vets. Two for County Veteran’s Service Officer and two for help with the VA.
 - Post 22 provided the snacks at a Yellow Ribbon Deployment Event for the 235th MP Company SDNG (Van Delist).
 - 220 Soldiers and Family members were at the event.
 - We spent: \$186 from the Benevolence Fund.
- Unfinished Business
 - Facility Improvement projects update (Van Delist).
 - Awaiting Phase 3 and 4 roof repair bids from Lowe Roofing
 - Veterans Day Dinner
 - Served approximately 235 Veteran members and guests
 - Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with this successful event!
 - WE RAN OUT OF FOOD!! Great Event!
- New Business

- General Membership was supportive of co-sponsoring a Scout Troop (72).
 - Will involve us providing an unknown amount of money (we can set that limit)
 - Will allow our members to volunteer to work with this troop. Would also provide a troop for our member's children to join.
 - Will allow us to submit Troop 72 Eagle Scouts for competition in The American Legion "Eagle Scout of The Year" awards (State and National Level). \$10,000 scholarship at the National Level.
 - **Would not involve the use of our facilities.**
- The Good of the American Legion (Any member)
 - 40/8 Regional Meeting will be in RAP Spring of April 6-9, 2023 will use Post facilities.
 - War Monument council will be going before the City Council December 6, 2021 at 5:30pm to seek approval from City Council to move forward with memorial.
 - Gun Raffle Closed out on Veterans Day. New one is open.
 - Last Man Standing Club see Don Fuller for more information
 - 40/8 made pitch to get new members– Must be a Vet to join. Promote Veterans programs. 3-4 Active Members. 25 Members total. Recruitment forms were passed out. If interested contact Paul Richter at 605-390-0264.
- Adjournment 18:33