



The American Legion, Post 22
Membership Meeting - Minutes
September 17, 2025, at 1800.

- **Opening Ceremonies** (Commander) (6 P.M.).
 - 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): There were 27 members in attendance.
- **Roll Call:**

	Present/Absent/Excused
○ Commander (R. Skjoldal)	X
○ 1 st Vice Commander (D. Dosch)	X
○ 2 nd Vice Commander (J. Haleakala)	X
○ Adjutant (J. Miller)	X
○ Finance Officer (D. Harris)	X X
○ Chaplain (G. Stanley)	X X
○ Historian (K. Donnell)	X
○ Sergeant-at-Arms (A. Anable)	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)
 - New members:
 - David Gross, US Army, Gulf War Veteran
 - Guests:
 - Dave Smith, Head Coach & General Manager, Rapid City Rush

- Cory Berberian, Director of Broadcasting & Media Relations
- Presentations
 - 250th Marine Corps Birthday Commemorative Coin from The Herbert A. Littleton Marine Corps League Detachment to Post 22.
- **Financial Report** (Skjoldal) as of: 9/17/2025
 - Business Account: \$ (\$7,080 for carpet replacement in meeting rooms-money transferred from Savings, Benevolence, and Membership accounts to Checking to cover...check was delivered on Thursday and has not yet been cashed, so deduct \$7K).
 - Membership Acct: \$ (Regular membership deposits/withdrawals; \$2,000 to checking to cover new carpet).
 - Benevolence Acct: \$ (Deposit from Business Acct. of \$500; transfer \$3,000 to business to cover new carpet)
 - Americanism Acct: \$ (Deposit from Business Acct. of \$500; Deposit \$250 donation from Dacotah Bank for BB scholarships).
 - SAL Acct: \$ (Regular membership deposits/withdrawals).
 - Honor Guard: \$ (Debits of \$33.53 for phone bill).
 - Scholarship Sav Acct: \$
 - Capital Improvements Savings: \$ (\$2,500 deposited from Business Acct., and \$1,818 from Queen of Hearts; Debits of \$2,000 to pay on carpet replacement).
- **Executive Committee update:**
 - This meeting took place on 9/13/2025. The EC authorized repayment to D. Harris for the new tile in the large meeting room.
- **Membership** (Dosch/Harris): **2026 Membership year started 1 July.**
 - TAL 2026 **Goal is 563**
 - Renewals/new members to date: **356** for **63% of goal**
 - 2026 SAL **Goal is 63, up 12 from 2025:**
 - SAL renewals/new members of **41** for 65% of goal.
- **AL Riders** Report (Ernie Sanford):
 - Participating in an escort for a veteran.
- **Honor Guard** (C. Hall):

- Prepping for 2nd Annual Dart Tournament on 10.25.25 hosted at Post 22, Signups at 1400, begin at 1600.e
- **SAL (J. Skala):**
 - Sept 6 – Car Show
 - Made \$690 including \$200 in donations.
- **Post 22 Auxiliary Report:**
 - Next meeting will be September 23rd, 1800 (6PM)
 - Pancake breakfast, 2nd Sunday of every month 0800 – 1100.
- **Americanism (D. Harris):**
 - Nothing to report.
- **Athletic Officer (Lyle Tolsma):**
 - Rapid City has the State A Tournament for 2026.
 - Post 22 Honor Guard requested to do Color Guard duties.
 - American Legion Golf Tournament
 - In Irene/Wakanda
 - 20-21 Sept
- **Chaplain (G. Stanley):**
 - Deaths and Sick Call:
 - Deaths: John Wesley Willard (9/13)
 - Sick Call: Nothing to report.
- **Post Service Officer (H. Rossander):**
 - Nothing to report.
- **Old Business:**
 - Carpet and tile installation in large and small meeting rooms was completed the first and second weeks of September. Thank you to Doug Harris and Tom Grigsby for their efforts in making this happen.
 - Extra tiles will be used to replace the entry areas near both doors.
 - Derr Foundation Dinner/Gala October 18th at the Monument.
 - Tickets \$35 each, or table of 8 for \$500.
- **New Business:**
 - District 2 Meeting recap
 - Black Hills Veterans March

- September 20
 - Dosch leading.
 - Other volunteers were Don and Toni Fuller and Jeremy Bryan.
 - We the last stop at the Black Hills Veterans March right before they enter the arena. Setup must be complete by 0800 (8AM). Our stop is across from the Hospital in Deadwood.
- Veterans Day Event
 - November 11
 - Lunch/Dinner free for all veterans. We invite any members who have not yet paid their 2026 membership dues to do so at this event.
 - More information will be posted soon.
- **Good of The American Legion** (Any member):
 - DAV:
 - Sep 19-21 the Retired Activities Office will hold an event at the Ellsworth Commissary.
 - Sep 25 Veteran standdown at the Double Tree by Hilton next to the Monument. 1000 – 1500.
 - Volunteer Opportunities:
 - Feeding South Dakota is looking for volunteers. Contact Ryan Teets at 605.348.2689 or ryan.teets@feedingsouthdakota.org.
 - Sep 20 Walk-a-Thon for Alzheimer's at Founders Park. \$100 entry. Registration starts at 0900, walk starts at 1000.
 - Last Man Standing Club (Fuller)
 - Members of Post 22 and your family will host an Irish Wake.
 - Hockey Tickets (Fuller)
 - Game on November 7th.
 - 40/8 selling peanuts and brittle
 - Marine Corps League Marine Corps Birthday Dinner on November 7th at the Elks Lodge \$30 per person, beef or chicken (Decker).
- **Adjournment:** at 1904. A social hour followed.