



The American Legion, Post 22
 Regular Membership Meeting - Minutes
 May 26th, 2021 at 6 P.M.

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): 22

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 | X |
| c. 2 nd Vice Commander (R. Skjoldal) | X | | |
| d. Adjutant (D. Harris) | X | | |
| e. Finance Officer (P. Rodriguez) | | X | 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 New members: Eric Nelson, USAF retired.
 - o Guest(s): Molly Barari, Vitalant Blood Services (Blood Drive over Memorial Day wknd).
- Committee Reports
 - o **Finance** (Rodriguez/Harris): All as of **05/26/2021**
 - Business: \$
 - Membership: \$ (checks written: \$115 to Don Fuller to reimburse for event tent; \$71.36 to D. Harris to reimburse for new member coins; \$98 to SDAL Department for Convention delegate dues).
 - Benevolence: \$ (deposit of \$500 from business account).
 - Americanism: \$ (Checks written: \$510 to cover Boys State Transportation (6 boys), \$1,200 to cover Boys State tuition (6 boys), \$129.54 to cover pizza and other expenses for District 2 Boys State Orientation (23 boys and parents), \$200 to SDAL Department for Youth Trooper Academy tuition (1 boy); deposit of \$500 from business account).
 - SAL: \$

- Capital Improvement Savings: \$ (deposit of \$2,000 from business acct).
 - Scholarship Account: \$
 - Building Repair Loan: \$() (paid \$376.78 monthly and \$1,000 principal only payment).
- **Membership** (Harris): 2021 Membership year starts 1 July 2020 = **Goal is 573**.
 - Paid so far 578 = **101 % of goal**
 - Go-Getters for 2021
 - Doug Harris: 10 New members
 - Shari Bradstream (transferred to Post 311): 9 new members
 - Don Dosch: 4 new members
 - Tom Smith: 3 new members
 - Lyle Tolsma: 3 new members
 - C. Van Delist: 3 new members
 - Gary Stanley: 3 new members
 - Paul Rodriguez: 3 new members
 - Don Fuller: 2 new members
 - John Schneider: 1 new member
 - John Fleming Sr.: 1 new member
 - Mike Ball: 1 new member
 - Thank you to all who helped make our 2021 recruitment year so successful!!
- **AL Riders** Report (Fleming): Couple of escorts this month.
- **Post 22 Auxiliary** Report (T. Curry): No report. They are selling poppies.
- **Americanism** (D. Fuller/J. Aldentaler/D. Harris):
 - District 2 Boys State Orientation took place on 16 May. Approximately 20 boys and parents were present. C. Van Delist/D. Harris/J. Aldentaler/P. Douglas took part in the briefing. Pizza, snacks and drinks were provided by Post 22.
 - School Medals presented (D. Fuller): All 10 schools received medals (20) this year and 3 ROTC medals to School of Mines students.
 - Boys State starts on the 31st of May and goes through the 4th of June. Legion Day will take place on the 3rd of June.
- **Athletic Officer** (B. Garcia/Tolsma): We are taking over the new stadium on the 1st of June. Alumni night on 2nd of June...entry is free...7 P.M. is the Alumni v. players. The 3rd is our first game with the Veterans Classic (16 teams).
- **Honor Guard** (G. Stanley): The Honor Guard/Riders will be teaming up to visit 3 cemeteries on the 31st to perform ceremonies. Still recruiting new members...contact Gary Stanley if you are interested in joining (605-391-4279). Requested that the Post provide 3 flags (Harris provided them).
- **Sick call**, relief and employment (B. Jeffery): No members have passed in the last month. No sick calls.
- **Post Service Officer** report (Van Delist) not present, so no report.
- **Unfinished Business**
 - Facility Improvement projects update.
 - Still waiting for the partial roof replacement. Was scheduled for May, but now up in the air. Waiting for word from the contractor.
 - Still planning to paint the exterior of the bldg. this summer.
 - Final review of changes to By-Laws (meeting dates)

- Executive Committee reviewed/discussed the changes at their meeting on the 8th of June and recommended that the Members vote to change the dates to the 3rd Saturday (EC) and the 3rd Wednesday (Regular Meeting). This ensures the meetings happen within 4 days of each other each month and allows for meetings to be held in November and December (historically blocked by the holidays).
 - Motion by Mike Ball to accept these date changes and amend the our Bylaws accordingly; Second by Gary Stanley. **Motion carries.**
 - **Harris will update the document and post it to our website.**
- **New Business**
 - Tee It Up for the Troops signups – event takes place July 19th (Monday).
 - Golfers signed up so far: Tolsma, Harris, Garcia, Stanley, and D. Klar.
 - Manning a booth at one of the holes (fundraiser): Don Fuller. Asking for volunteers to help him do this. Will also be recruiting new members.
 - Post 22 is sponsoring a hole.
- The Good of the American Legion (Any member)
 - Former member Don Schooley has passed, there will be a memorial (celebration of Life) this Friday from 4 – 9 P.M in the large meeting room. All are invited to attend.
 - Veteran Honor Banner yard signs for sale...see display.
 - Don Fuller talked about Last Man Standing.
 - Member C. Speirs reported the following info. Veterans Coordinating Committee for the new VA CBOC groundbreaking will take place in end of June/First part of July...new patients by Jan of 2023. Veterans Cemetery Committee...the Memorial Day celebration will be open to whomever wants to go...but no time was available. Flags for fallen vets will be placing flags. Unaccompanied Veterans ceremony will be the 12th of June. DAV poker run on July 10th...boy scout troops will be doing the flag ceremony. Local DAV will be open June 5th from 9 to 11 to help veterans with claims. Located at 101 E. Madison Street in RC.
 - Edward Manzano left a flyer for an event happening on Memorial Day. Looking for volunteers who would like to read bio's of fallen vets from S.D. If you would like to take part, please contact him at 605-209-6283.
 - Tolsma purchased a Post 22 Baseball family pass that we are raffling for \$5/try.
- Adjournment at 6:56.