



The American Legion, Post 22
Regular Membership Meeting - Minutes

May 22nd, 2019 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): see sign in sheet

Follow with officer roll call:

Present / Absent / Excused

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| a. Commander (Tolsma) | X | |
| b. Vice Commander (Van Delist) | X | |
| c. Adjutant (Harris) | X | |
| d. Finance Officer (Fink) | | X |
| e. Chaplain (Fuller) | X | |
| f. Historian (C. Douglas) | X | |
| g. Sergeant-at-Arms (Dosch) | X | |

- Minutes of previous meeting – Electronically posted on website:
<https://www.alpost22rcsd.com/mtg-minutes-etc> (Adjutant)
 - o Motion to accept minutes as posted by Fleming, Second Phelps, Motion carried
- Meeting etiquette briefing (Harris)
- Introduction of guests and prospective new members (Applicable host)
 - o New members: Introduction of new/returning members - Schneider/Van Delist/
 - Frank Gutierrez – Army NG – new member
 - Nick Figuly – active duty AF – new member
 - Bob Splinter – AF Security Police/NORAD – current member
 - Paul Woolever – AF Vet working at the Village as Marketing Dir. – new member
 - Bob Karlen – Army – current member
 - Shane Lee– Marine Corp/ Adjunct Prof and PHD candidate at SDSM&T – current member
 - o Christine Pranger – DAV and one of our members. Chapter 3 and 11 are having a poker run on July 6th at 0900. Starting at BH Harley Davidson with 6 stops. Free meal at HD. See Post 22 website for flyer. Money stays local and goes to help the vets.

- Guest(s): Magic of Painting (Marsha Knopf) – offering course to our members as a form of “Art Therapy”, or whatever you would like it to be. Gave a presentation on what she would like to do and asked people to sign up. Once we figure out the interest level, we will schedule the classes.
- Committee Reports
 - Finance (Harris/Fink): All as of 5/22/19. **Members may request financial information that has been removed by contacting the Adjutant at post22rc@gmail.com**
 - **Membership Acct:** Monies spent: \$146.97 on office supplies.
 - **Americanism Acct:** Monies spent: \$120.00 to feed Post 22 BB players breakfast. \$400 for Boys State Tuition. \$170 for Boys State transportation. \$250 to BSA Black Hills Area Council to help them replace stolen shooting range equipment.
 - **Savings:**
 - **Benevolence Acct:** Monies spent: \$0
 - **SAL Acct:** Monies spent: \$70 on new members and renewals.
 - **Business Acct:**
 - **Legal Loan:**
 - Membership (Harris): Goal: 638. Currently at 93% of goal and a few members are still busy recruiting. Lyle Tolsma (1), John Schneider (7), Mike Ball (1), Doug Harris (1), Don Fuller (1). KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!
 - Americanism (P. Douglas/D. Fuller)
 - Post 22 Officers (Van Delist and Harris) have provided Boys State Orientation briefings for 1) District 1 Boys State candidates, 2) Boys State candidates from Edgemont SD, 3) Local area District 2 candidates, and 4) Boys State candidates from Martin SD.
 - Boys State starts next Monday (27 May). Post 22 will be providing the following individuals as staff: 1) Chris Van Delist (Assistant Director), 2) Doug Harris (Counselor for city of Dallas), and 3) Georgeann Van Delist (Administration).
 - Paul Douglas briefed the members on American Legion Medal presentations to local schools. Said the medals are favorably received by both the students and the schools.
 - Harris introduced Don Fuller to the group as the new Post 22 Americanism officer and then briefed the newer members on our Americanism program and why it is so important to our post.
 - AL Post 22 100th Anniversary plans/updates (C. Douglas). Gave an update on the latest plans for the event. Again invited the newer members to take part and bring in their mementos for display.
- Sick call, relief and employment (Fuller): The Post 22 office manager (Cheryl) recently lost her mother after a bad fall. Commander Tolsma let everyone know that there was a card being passed around and that the Post would be hosting a “Celebration of Life” on Friday the 24th. There is also a Celebration of Life planned for Don Achtein on Saturday, 25 May, at the Post.
 - Info for new members. The jackpot is currently \$214 for the monthly drawing of those members who attend meetings.
 - Last man standing club explanation for the new members. Let them know the meaning of the club and that they can purchase their bottle at the post now.
- Post Service Officer report (Van Delist): Received 12 calls for service. 8 passed the questions that are asked to demonstrate eligibility, 4 were helped with claims, 1 for utilities. Found other agencies to also help these individuals. One gentleman needed help to get food on the table.

We gave him gift certificates to buy food and then took him to another place for additional groceries. A new number set up 605-388-2016 for the Post Service Officer.

- Unfinished business
 - o Roof repair is ongoing for more small leaks. May have to make plans to replace the entire flat roof portion in the future.
 - o Capital Improvement projects
 - Working on a project to replace/add a second room divider between the small and large meeting rooms. (Dosch).
 - Researching and planning a project to fix the exterior of the bldg. (Capital improvement project). (Harris)
 - o Planning to paint the interior of the bar this summer. Touch up paint in the meeting rooms. Replace some ceiling tiles. Remove the old A/C in the small meeting room and seal up that space.
 - o Post 22 Baseball. The weather is keeping them from playing any games. They did get the \$5 million (public monies) to completely redo the stadium. Still working on the planning for this one.
- New Business
 - o State Convention being held in Sioux Falls from 7-9 June. Several Post Officers will be attending.
- The good of the American Legion (Any member)
 - o Cynthia Douglas talked about a program called the Basic Training Course. You can find this on SDLegion.org ... all members should take this online course so they can learn about The American Legion and what it does. Get educated.
 - o **Memorial Day for the post.** Mike Ball asking if we would be able to use our weapons. Van Delist will get together with Ball and make sure the group can access the ceremonial rifles.
 - A group of Riders/Members will meet at 6 AM at Perkins and then cover 3 different cemeteries during the morning. Also, members are invited to Memorial park for the ceremony at 0800. Then Black Hills National Cemetery at 1100. The Riders will also pass the flag to a veteran at the native ceremony at BHNC – 1400...ceremony starts at 1300. Bell will play taps.
 - o Van Delist: Mission 22 is hosting a 4th annual 22K hike on June 22nd. <https://www.kotatv.com/content/news/A-22k-hike-benefits-Mission-22-helping-Veterans-struggling-with-suicide-485746001.html>
 - o Van Delist: July 15th ...tee up for the troops fundraiser at Arrowhead Golf Course. Follow this link for details. <https://www.facebook.com/events/737495026622096/>
 - o August 8th ...Pennington Co. veteran block party...more info to follow...at the Care Campus.
 - o 27 May there will be Memorial Day service for vets at the Dave Kirk chapel off of Canyon lake rd., at 5 PM, followed by snacks. <http://www.chapel-in-the-hills.org/index.html>
- Adjourn (P.M.) 1916