

Post 186/American Legion SC

General Membership Meeting Minutes

05 February 2022

I. Call to order

Commander Daniel Hipp called to order the regular meeting of the American Legion Post 186 SC, at Post 186 located at 4285 Pine Drive, Little River SC, on 05 February 2022 at 1000L

II. Roll call

Adjutant Myers conducted a roll call. The following persons were present:

Post Office	First	Last	Present/Absent/Excused
Commander	Daniel	Hipp	Present
First Vice	Bill	Finch	Present
Second Vice	Wayne	Southworth	Present
Adjutant	Thomas	Myers	Present
Finance Officer	Denny	Haight	Present
Historian	Jay	Vandeven	Present
Chaplain	Bill	Stewart	Present
Sergeant of Arms	John	Pazogo	Present
Service Officer	Carl	MacLeod	Present
Maintenance	Bob	Culp	Present
External Events	Len	Tobin	Present
First Trustee	Tannie	Ellison	Present
Second Trustee	Ralph	Steinway	Present

III. Approval of last meeting minutes

Adjutant Myers read the minutes from the last meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

IV. Reports

a) Finance

- (1) Need people to volunteer to work the 50/50 for Friday night's dinners. POC to help is Denny Haight.
- (2) Insurance for the post we went with the best quote, the increase was due to alcohol sales.

- (3) All bills have been paid
- (4) All end-of-year taxes have been filed.
- (5) Bingo is still profitable last week bringing in over \$1200.00.

b) Chaplain

- (1) The sick Call Board has been steady.
- (2) Boys State is gearing up for this year. The chaplain has been asked to Chair the committee for the state. Asking for assistance to review packages to attend.
- (3) Possibly sponsor dance in April for the Sunshine fund.
- (4) A non-denominal Bible Study we are started at the post when it can be placed in the schedule. This will be led by the Chaplain. This will begin in March as Easter approaches.
- (5) Two golf tournaments coming up asking to sponsor a hole or participate in a team, one is for the Auxiliary and the other is for Marlisa Small who has been a friend to the Post in the past.

c) Membership (1st Vice)

- (1) We are sitting at 95% of our membership goal. 733 Paid members
- (2) Issues we several membership applications from the bar. The membership committee will work on the process.
- (3) Received more blank cards to help with processing transfers and provide cards for members that did not have a printed card.

d) Department Report (2nd Vice)

- (1) Proud that we are in second place as a District for membership in the state.
- (2) The rifle raffle is doing well for this year. The raffle closes end of May tickets cost \$25.00 every ticket sold \$10.00 goes to the post.
- (3) The department has chosen a new Adjutant for the state. The person is Michael Strauss.
- (4) Holding post for SC takes the listing and transfers them to an active post.
- (5) Post 186 highest in new members for South Carolina

- (6) Next District Meeting on 12 Feb 2022 at the Post 40
 - (7) Post 196 is being revitalized and becoming active again, led by George Swift.
 - (8) Honor Flight if you are qualified, please submit your application. If selected free trip to Washington DC and tour war memorials
 - (9) Veteran needs assistance in Myrtle Beach.
- e) Service Officer (see attached reports)
- (1) We had 4 service officer events for January for a total of 28 for the year.
- f) Honor Guard
- (1) Did 6 military events with 22 hours of service time.
 - (2) The team now working with the Navy and Army Honor Guard Teams most of the time when doing these details.
 - (3) We are in the St Patty's Day parade for North Myrtle Beach.
- g) Maintenance Committee
- (1) Several toilets continually running
 - (2) The Wall timer needs to be replaced.
 - (3) Three exit lights still need to be replaced equipment on hand needs to be installed. Scheduled to be installed
- h) External Events (Awards Committee)
- (1) A how-to manual for the awards program is about 85% complete.
 - (2) Certificates have been printed and need to be signed by the Commander and Adjutant.
 - (3) Awards/Volunteer dinner invitations have been sent.
 - (a) Members will receive a ticket upon arrival for the meal they requested.
 - (b) Chaplin requested to do the benediction
 - (c) Informal meeting to present awards
 - (4) Request possible news coverage for the awards.

- i) Historian
 - (1) In the process of getting a new board for deaths and updating
- j) First Trustee
 - (1) Nothing
- k) Second Trustee
 - (1) Nothing

V. New business

- a) New Member welcomed and acknowledged
- b) Meat Raffle on the 12 Feb 22 needs Volunteers
- c) Boy's State is having a meeting upstate Commander will get with the sons to sponsor some attendees.

VI. Adjournment

Commander Daniel Hipp adjourned the meeting at 1052L.

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