# Post 186/American Legion SC General Membership Meeting Minutes

05 March 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 March 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	Excused
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. Special Guest**

a) Mika was on hand to talk about his experience about Boys State. Both of his parents were present also.

# IV. Approval of last meeting minutes

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

## V. 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) Bank deposits continue to be good.
- (3) All bills have been paid
- (4) All activities continue to bring in money.
- (5) Dishwasher for the Bar should be installed within the week.
- (6) Safety exit lights have been installed an replace ad they were needed.
- (7) The Commander put out a motion give the Veterans Welcome home centers and New Ranch Life \$500.00 each. Motion made by Denny Haight and Seconded by Tom Myers. The motion was passed.

## b) Chaplain

- (1) Introduced the Boys State
  - (a) Committee
    - (i) Commander
    - (ii) Jerry Gunkil (misspelled)
    - (iii) Paul Evans
    - (iv) Chris Vanderburg
- (2) Two candidates from the Christin School and 5 from the Public High School.
- (3) Possibly sponsor concert 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) There will be a memorial service at the post tomorrow. If you knew the individual or not you are welcome to attend.
- c) Membership (1<sup>st</sup> Vice)
  - (1) We are sitting at 99% of our membership goal. 733 Paid members
  - (2) We have gained 93 new members this year so far.

- (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 (2<sup>nd</sup> Vice)
  - (1) Membership for post 186 is going great and making us in 1<sup>st</sup> place for membership
  - (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) Next District Meeting on 02 Apr 2022 at the Post 186 at 1200L the State Commander will be present.
  - (4) Post 196 held their first meeting and is getting established and is doing well. They set a goal of 200 members for this year.
- e) Service Officer (see attached reports)
  - (1) We had 14 service officer events for February for a total of 42 for the year.
    - (a) The biggest trend is member or military member not talk to spouse and making sure they are not connected to VA
- f) Honor Guard
  - (1) Did 3 military events with 11 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.
- g) Maintenance Committee
  - (1) Mop sink is routing out from corrosion.
- h) External Events (Awards Committee)
  - (1) A how-to manual for the awards program is about 100% complete.
  - (2) After action report will be attached to minutes.
  - (3) Awards/Volunteer dinner.
    - (a) 75 Members attended plus honored guest from Horry County Police, Horry County Fire and Rescue, Educators from local Middle, and High Schools

- (b) Lessons Learned
  - (i) Appoint awards committee in June
  - (ii) Have a table for Honored Guest
- (4) Request possible news coverage for the awards.
- i) Historian
  - i) Decease members plague has been restored and we need another one for this one is filled.
- j) First Trustee
  - (1) Pitched working the 50/50 at the door on Friday Nights.
- k) Second Trustee
  - (1) Nothing

#### VI. New business

- a) New Member welcomed and acknowledged
- b) 12 Mar is the St Patty's Day parade and Corn beef and Cabbage of the post.
- c) Sign-up sheet for elections will be posted later this month by the bar. If you want to run, please sign the board

# VII. Adjournment

Commander Daniel Hipp adjourned the meeting at 1058L.

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