



American Legion Post 143

Carrollton, Georgia

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes Thursday, August 4, 2022, at 1800 hrs.

Welcome Message – Commander Ronnie Pate

Presentation of Colors – Sgt-at-Arms Ron Knowles

Opening Prayer – Chaplain Randy Knight

Pledge of Allegiance – SAA Knowles

Sick Call – Brenda Davis, Josh Fuller, Bob Merrill - Deceased. Bill Sammon, Sharon Hearnberg, Richard Gynn, Steve Holder – Health Issues. Carolos Fuller is doing well.

Commander's Welcome – Commander Pate recognized and welcomed 5th District Junior Vice Commander Wade Lnenicka to the meeting. Commander Pate emphasized the location of an AED Safety Device in the hallway outside of the meeting hall. In the event of an emergency, the SAA is the individual to contact 911 with the Adjutant as the alternate. Commander Pate also discussed the importance of key control, key tracking, and that locks are to be changed with the election of new leadership.

Officer Role Call:

Commander: Ronnie Pate – Present
Senior Vice Commander: Rose Miller – Excused
Junior Vice Commander: Steve Fuller – Excused
Junior Vice Commander: Steve Holder – Excused
Junior Vice Commander: Sam Pyle – Present
Junior Vice Commander: Frank Joswick – Present
Judge Advocate: Bill Hearnburg – Present
Finance Officer: Joe Harrod – Present
Adjutant: Ben Sinclair - Present

Meeting called to order

Correspondence – Adjutant Sinclair read a letter of appreciation from the Women's Shelter for the donation of food after the regular meeting on July 21, 2022.

NEW BUSINESS

ALA Update: President Jeanette Henson indicated the Auxiliary had several new members join over the past month. President Henson advised that the Auxiliary would be providing a complimentary breakfast of biscuits and pastries at the upcoming 5th District Meeting on August 21, 2022, at Post 143. The Auxiliary has volunteered to bring food to the Fuller Home during their time of mourning. It was indicated that the Trinka Davis Veteran's Home is on lock-down due to COVID 19 and no one is permitted visitors at this time.

SAL Update: CMDR Fuller – Excused.

Community Foundation of West Georgia: A discussion of developing an organizational marketing plan for donations at the CFWG with Finance Officer Joe Harrod requesting specific donations for the CFWG and to be able to set-up electronic access to view the donations.

Breakfast Items and Cleaning for the 5th District Meeting on August 21, 2022, at Post 143 – Auxiliary member, Becky Sinclair will be picking up sausage biscuits from Jack's and that the complimentary breakfast will be ready by 8:30 AM the day of the meeting. Several members will be involved with cleaning and setting the meeting hall up for the 5th District Meeting. Commander Pate has asked Randy Purser to contact Carroll County and express our appreciation for the continued use of the Veteran's Building.

Meal for Regular Meeting on August 18, 2022 – There will be 15 individuals from The Central H.S. Shotgun Club that will attend the meeting. Total meals needed will be 65. The meal for the regular meeting will be BBQ.

Blood Drive – Blood Donor Program Chair Randy Purser advised of communications with the Red Cross regarding having a blood drive at Post 143. Mr. Purser indicated that he was appointed to the same position as Blood Drive Chair at the 5th District. It was discussed that some individuals with certain health conditions may not be able to participate in a post blood drive per Red Cross guidelines. There was a discussion of whether the Post should partner with a larger organization for the first blood drive.

Buddy Checks – Commander Pate commended Bill and Wanda Maddox on their effort and the efforts of Buddy Check volunteers.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Central High School Shooting Team – JVC Joswick discussed the Central High School Shooting Team.

Newsletter – JVC Joswick advised that any materials to be included with the Quarterly Post 143 Newsletter need to be submitted by Wednesday, August 10, 2022.

Heritage Days – JVC Joswick advised that a Heritage Days Meeting will be held at the AG Center on August 29, 2022, at 5:00 PM. It was stated that there are 8 volunteers committed and that more are needed.

Charter Donation – Tabled

New Member Orientation Program – A motion was made and seconded to remove this item from future agendas. Passed Unanimously.

Bob Hilliard Scholarship – JVC Joswick advised that he will be visiting Temple High School to represent the Post at back-to-school events this month. JVC Joswick advised that he will be meeting with counselors regarding the scholarship on August 15, 2022.

BBQ Fundraiser – CMDR Pate provided a report on the recent BBQ Committee Meeting and the progress of the preparations for the event on September 30, 2022. The event will be set-up on September 29. Mr. Levans indicated an increase in ticket prices from \$10 to \$15 and that Brunswick stew will be replaced with BBQ Beans due to cost. The cost of materials and food have gone up an average of 30% over last year. There is a need for more volunteers and empty egg cartons. It was discussed that anyone requesting food delivery must have purchased 10 or more tickets and Jeanette Henson should be notified by the seller. It was indicated that over 580 tickets have been given out to various members of the Post, ALA, and the SAL. Commander Pate suggested that the BBQ and ticket sales be included in monthly buddy check calls. 5DJVC Wade Lnenicka advised that tickets be sold at the upcoming 5th District Meeting to be held at Post 143.

JVC Joswick stated that the American Legion, Department of Georgia awarded 8 scholarships of \$1000 last year and that none of the scholarships were awarded to any Post within the 5th District.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

5TH District Quarterly Meeting to be held at Post 143 on August 21, 2022, with registration beginning at 8:30 AM and the regular meeting starting at 9:30 AM.

General Membership Meeting to be held on August 18, 2022, with dinner at 6:00 PM and the meeting starting at 7:00 PM.

There will be a Public Safety Monument Ceremony at the Carroll County Veteran's Memorial Park on September 9th, 2022. More information to follow.

Benediction – Chaplain Randy Knight

Retire the Colors – SAA Knowles

This day of August 4, 2022, the Executive Committee meeting of Post 143, Department of Georgia, stands adjourned at 7:25 PM.

Signed:

Commander Ronnie Pate

Adjutant Ben Sinclair