FLAGLER POST 115
Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting
Thursday Apr 17, 2025
1800 hrs.
IHOP RESTAURANT

Call to Order: Cdr. Werner - 1800hrs.
Opening Prayer: Adj Owens
Roll Call: Adj. Owens
Excused – Leahy, Beier, Beier, Work, Lydon, Sastoque
Minutes of Previous Meetings: Adj Owens

- Mar Exec. meeting and 7 Apr General meeting minutes offered for review via email and printed here. Motion and 2nd to approve meeting minutes, no discussion, unanimous approval

Committee Reports:

- Cdr. Werner –
  - Rode the Dept. of FL ALR Unity Ride Eastern route Sun – Tue and met a lot of great members and Post, District, and Dept leadership folks gleaning input and learning a lot
    - One item regarding a Post Home – look to "strip mall" vacancies that may be available at a low cost
    - Met up with a fellow FL AL College classmate and discussed the possibility of grants for our Post through the FL Veterans Administration – recommended the Post create a business plan
  - Cdr. Werner used $500 of his Commanders Discretionary Fund to provide the lunch for the FL ALR Unity Ride Stop @ The Beach Front Grille – hosted by ALR Chapter 115 on Tue Apr 8
  - Cdr. Werner and Fin. Off. Boyd met with students at the Integral Academy
- 1st VC Dean –
  - Membership update – Post membership is currently 426 – 92.81% of 459
  - CONTACTS LIST of UNPAID MEMBERS passed among those present tasked to call for renewals
  - 2nd VC Leahy – n/r

- Adj. Owens –
    - INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE-
        - Fundraising Raffle – Two (2) PRP Wine Tasting events
            - Tickets will be available for sale – 250 tickets for each of two (2) raffles
                - $5 ea. / $20 for 6
        - HISPANIC FOOD & ART FEST – St Joe Plaza – Sat 13 May 1100 – 1800
            - Do we participate?
                - Tabled for discussion
- Finance Officer Boyd –
    - Apr 7th report explained
    - Post 115 received a $1,000 donation from the Johnson family
    - ALR 115 received a $500 donation from the Johnson family
    - SAL Squadron 115 received a $400 donation from the Johnson family
    - The Post 115 Honor Guard received a $500 donation from the Johnson family.
        - Note that the above donations were deposited to the appropriate budget accounts per executive committee decision with no cash withdrawn
- J.A. Campbell –
    - Proposed Slate of Officers for May 2025 elections
        - Cdr Werner, 1st VC Dean, 2nd VC Leahy, Fin Off Boyd, Historian Kairis, Chaplain Beier, Sgt at Arms Beier
- Chaplain Beier – n/r
- VAC Sastoque – n/r
- Service Officer Lydon – in absentia
    - Help those veterans in need from last December's list
- Sgt/Arms Edward Beier – n/r
- Interim Historian John Kairis –
    - In process of organizing his "Historian" office and gathering data
        - Will be up and running soon
- Past Cdr. Pepin –
    - Aux Unit 115 will be raffling two (2) quilts this year with the proceeds staying in their accounts
        - Be sure to purchase tickets when raffle sales begin
    - Past Cdr Hammond stated SAL member Alec Schiess will be competing in the FL St Special Olympics National Tournament singles Sat/Sun May 16/17
        - Recommended some of us go to support Alec
            - Lake Nona Orlando area

- ALR Dir. Rothenberger -
    - 2025 ALR LEGACY RUN – Virginia to Tampa sometime in Aug – dates TBD
    - He is willing to register to volunteer @ the 2025 National Convention in Tampa
- SAL Cdr. Card –
    - Current membership 50 – goal 47 – 106.38%
- Member @ Large McNamara –
    - He and Jim Boyd were at the VA Clinic Tue morning – a lot of fruit, water, and coffee dispersed to the incoming patients and ran out by 1000 – REMEMBER – All members are welcome to join us the 3rd Thursday every month 0800 at the Daytona VA Clinic on Williamson Blvd just north of LPGA Blvd
- Member @ Large Work – n/r
- Webmaster Lemanski –
    - Trying to utilize the current email system we have with LegionSites.com and perhaps looking to integrate Gmail accounts to help with large data transfer – under research and more to come
- AUX Pres. Hayes – in absentia
    - Monthly meetings moved to 1st Thu monthly 1300 @ IHOP
- Past Cdr Hammond Donations – n/r

Old Business:

- 19 April Northern Area Party – Post 120 Holly Hill - $30 single / $50 couple
- 25 April – Volusia Memorial Plaza Dedication
    - Stephen C Henderson Judicial Center – 125 E Orange Ave
- H.S. Honor Cord Ceremony – Tue Apr 29 – VFW 8696 – 1800
    - Class A w/o tie
- 5th Annual Charity Golf Tourney – Sat. Oct 4, 2025
    - In talks with Smart Technologies for possible help with marketing our golf tourney – more to come

New Business:

- RJ Card – Increasing income via gaming
    - RJ passed out and reviewed a document listing various “casino-type” games that could be included in our regular meeting and perhaps offered at special events.
        - Members showed interest and will pursue possibly alerting members to “Bet For Our Veterans Hour” prior to our meeting @ 1800 – another fundraising idea that may attract more members to meetings to come early

- FPC JROTC awards night Wed. Apr 30 @ the Flagler Auditorium – 1800
    - Class A w/o tie

- Matanzas JROTC Wed. May 7 @ Matanzas – 1800 (date moved)
    - Class A w/o tie

- Program Chair assignments –
    - Cdr Werner will address @ next meeting

- Sat June 7 – BUNNELL HISTORY DAY
    - Post has reserved a spot for our display to include Post 115, SAL Sq 115, ALR 115, and AUX Unit 115
        - The event needs water provided for up to 1000 attendees
            - Motion and 2nd made to provide water for the event – looking to Walmart and BJs for donations
                - No discussion and unanimous approval to fund the water for Bunnell History Day
                    - We'll gather coolers and ice the days prior amongst ourselves
            - Need volunteer(s) to gather water and coolers

For the Good of The Order:

- Adj. Owens received an email from a Army National Guard full-timer located at the airport expressing interest in "Legion Baseball" here in Palm Coast
    - Members expressed an interest to explore that we at least sponsor a team

Closing Prayer: Adj. Owens
Adjournment: Cdr. Werner 1931hrs

Minutes Respectfully Submitted,
Gary M Owens, Adj Post 115
04/20/2025