## GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES AMERICAN LEGION POST 177 Wednesday, 11 October 2017

- **1. Call to order:** Colors presented. Pledge of Allegiance. POW/MIA Chair. Invocation. Preamble to TAL Constitution. Confirmed Quorum. Recognized VIPs.
- **2. Presentations:** Boys and Girls State attendees shared their experiences and what they learned during Boys and Girls State.
- -Donations were presented to the Wounded Warrior Amputee Softball Team Kids Camp (\$2,621 from Salus Golf Tournament and \$555 from Luau).
- Presented Legionnaire of the Year pin to Brad Watkins.
- 3. Minutes of previous meeting: unanimously approved
- **4. New Members:** 8 new members accepted with unanimous approval.
- 5. Old Business: None
- 6. Reports and New Business:
- **6.1. Finance Officer:** Not present. Commander provided finance report.
- **6.2.** Adjutant: Vacant and no update.
- **6.3. First Vice:** 981 members for 2017. 641 have renewed for 2018. Early Bird dinner at 4pm on 5 November.
- **6.4. Second Vice:** Newsletter inputs due by 20 October.
- **6.5.** Third Vice: Not present.
- **6.6 Chaplain:** Not present.
- **6.7. Service Officer:** Not report.
- **6.8. Judge Advocate:** No report.

**6.9. Sergeant-at-Arms:** Honor Flights from Lake County, Tennessee, and Alaska will be visiting and Honor Guard volunteers are needed.

## 6.10. Historian:

- 13 Oct 1775 Navy established
- 23 Oct 1983 Grenada invasion
- 7 Oct 2001 war in Afghanistan began
- 16 28 1962 Cuban Missile Crisis
- **6.11. Members-at-Large:** No report.
- **6.12.** Corporate Board: Met with the City Manager and attended a City Planning Committee meeting to discuss Panther Place. Committee raised concerns with IDI that the development was too dense.
- **6.13. ALR:** No update.
- **6.14. Auxiliary:** Halloween Party on 28<sup>th</sup>.
- **6.15. SAL:** Bull and Oyster Roast went well.
- **6.16. Commander:** DAV will meet at the Post on the 21st.
- Veterans' Day ceremony will be at 1045 on 11 November followed by lunch at 1200 in the Social Quarters.
- Need a new Oratorical Chairman for the Post. January contests will be at Post 177 for Post and District.
- **6.17. From the Floor**: No report.
- 7. Announcements: Nothing additional.
- 8. Good of the Legion:
- It was recommended that information about the American Legion convention be advertised in the newsletter.

- Chili cook-off will be on 19 October.
- Congress authorized the minting of an American Legion coin.
- **9. Benediction:** completed.
- **10. Adjourn:** 2015 hours.