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ROY REED POST #252

WINSIDE, NE

FEBRUARY 1, 2022

Past Post Commander Dean Mann called the meeting to order with 6 members present (Dean Mann, Les Schulz, Sandra Hansen, Gene Barg, Larry Hansen and Bud Neel) and led the salute to the flag. Les Schulz offered the opening prayer. A moment of silence was observed for the POW/MIA's. PPC Mann led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance and the Legion Preamble.

Bud Neel read the minutes. Minutes were approved as read.

Dean Mann offered the treasurer's report as of 12-31-21: Gene Barg moved to approve the report, Les Schulz second, motion passed.

Committee reports:

--Soup Lunch report—deposited \$870.00, bill at Lou's \$210.00, bought hamburger at the Winside store.

--Sandra Hansen advised there are no Eagle Scouts in the area.

--Bud is trying to get the inventory of rifles completed. Need to contact Randal, Butch, Dean and Pete for make, model and serial number. Still have not found a serial number on the tank.

--Fundraiser will be March 12 at 2PM, St. Patrick's Pitch tournament. Sandra will bring fliers, proceeds goes to Boy's State. Will serve taverns and chips.

--Patriotic Productions flyer on parade in Omaha and asking for donations. No one interested.

--The SONs Squadron is having a Valentine's Day cash raffle. 1st. prize \$300.00; 2nd prize \$200.00; 3rd prize \$100.00 and the drawing is February 13, 2022.

Sick call:

--Cards for: Gordon Bethune, father passed away

Brandon Biermann, mother passed away

PSO: As a Veteran, if you have not signed up for VA Health card, we need to sign up even if you do not need it at this time. VA uses the number of Veterans signed up to staff the VA hospitals and clinics in that particular area. You may not use it now, but it could help other Veterans in your area. Larry Hansen advised there is a problem with VA appointments. Les Schulz advised urgency matters are a problem. No walk-ins, Comp forms sent out once a year. Bud needs any

New business:

--A question about County Government Day. It was held last year and every two years for Juniors and Seniors.

--3 Scholarship topics were discussed:

1. What is a Veteran and what does being a serviceman mean to you?

2. Should the draft be brought back to include male and female?

3. What does the Pledge of Allegiance or the Star Spangled Banner mean to you?

All were discussed and numbers 1-3 were put in a hat and number 1 was drawn to be the topic. Sandra Hansen moved to use the choice drawn for the topic, Les Schulz second, motion passed. Turn in date is March 31, 2022.

--Dean Mann questioned if the janitor needed a raise. Butch has not had a raise since he started. Sandra advised Butch was paid \$599.00 last year. Anything over \$600.00 will require a 1099 form. Les Schulz moved to increase janitor's wage to \$12.00, Larry Hansen second, no discussion, motion passed.

--Discussion was held on 990N versus incorporation of the Post. The 990N is only paperwork for non-profit organization. Incorporation through the state protects the members. Sandra will talk to Eric Knudsen, Wayne Lawyer about incorporation. Will most likely need the Constitution and Bylaws' updated, list of Officers and other paperwork for incorporation. Bud advised if we incorporate, the membership should not be held liable if something was to happen. The elected officers would be named in a lawsuit. Question about insurance covering any lawsuits. No one could answer that question. Bud is not sure where the Constitution & Bylaws' are located.

--Boy's State information was given

--Jr. Law information was given.

Department Newsletter was read.

Next meeting will be on March 1, 2022

Les Schulz offered benediction.

PPC Mann closed the meeting.