

**SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION
ROY REED SQUADRON #252
WINSIDE, NE
APRIL 26, 2023**

Vice Commander Arlin Kittle called the meeting to order with 4 members present (Bud Neel, Kevin Andersen, Darin Greunke and Arlin Kittle) and VC Cmdr. Kittle led the salute to the flag. Darin Greunke offered the opening prayer. A moment of silence was observed for our forefathers and the POW/MIA. VC Kittle led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance and the SONS Preamble.

Bud Neel read the minutes for the March 2023 meeting. **Kevin Andersen moved to approve the minutes and Darin Greunke second, motion passed.**

Kevin Andersen offered the treasurer report for:

General checking account as of 4-25-23. **Darin Greunke moved to approve the report, Bud Neel second, motion passed.**

Benevolent checking account as of 4-26-23.

Benevolent savings account as of 3-26-23: **Bud Neel moved to approve the report, Darin Greunke second, motion passed.**

Committee reports:

--Washington D.C. spaghetti feed was successful. Students were good workers. Donation of \$300.00 was given to students approved at the April meeting.

--District 3 Convention report from Bud: Thank you to everyone that helped with the posting of flags and the Post Everlasting program. Some things did not go too well, the posting of the POW/MIA flag and the Legion Preamble was not done. Guests asked to speak early as they had to attend another Convention and were last to speak. An agenda was not followed nor was it accurate. Clean-up was completed by 2 people at the Legion hall and 5 people at the auditorium. Tried to save the Legion deposit. Tables & chairs were put away, floor swept and trash emptied. The District 3 officers did not stay to assist with clean-up.

--Jeep repair—Kevin A. advised the pressure plate, disc is \$180.00; throw out?? Transmission synchros \$180.00: seals & gaskets and carburetor kit \$100.00. Total might be \$4-500.00. **Darin Greunke moved to approve the repair to the Jeep, Kevin Andersen second. Discussion: This needs to be done for safety. Motion passed.**

--Report by Kevin on Mrs. Andersen: doing well, taking her own medication now. Kevin had been going over there every day to check on her.

--Kale Hansen is donating a hog. Bud needs to call him on the date.

--Post 252/SAL web page. Kevin's computer crashed. Maybe work with David Greunke on HTML as Kevin is not up to date. Darin Greunke might have a contact to help. Webpage for 252/SAL may come due in May. **Bud Neel moved to allow Kevin to pay the bill for the web page when due, Darin Greunke second, motion passed.**

--Scholarships—One person submitted an essay for each of the scholarships. DAX Behmer provided essays for SAL and Tim Voss scholarship. Kevin Andersen moved to accept Dax Behmer for both SAL & Tim Voss scholarship, Darin Greunke second, motion passed.

Sick Call:

--Luanne Westerahus passed away

--Dorothy Hoe Andersen fell. Cracked a bone in her neck and knee cap. There were facial lacerations. Is in the hospital, CHI in Omaha.

Old business: none

New business:

--Bud submitted a bill for 2 (two) SAL flags of \$62.12, ordered and received. Darin Greunke moved to approve to pay the bill from Bud, Kevin Andersen second, motion passed.

--Bud advised the County Fairgrounds are being altered. The grandstands are out and the ground is leveled. Bleachers are being manufactured to replace. The trees were damaging the concrete in the grandstands. Crow's nest has been removed. Not sure where they will be but there will be a 50' flag pole and 2-35' flag poles somewhere. Wayne Post is scheduled to do the flag burning this year. This is yet to be decided.

--Memorial Day—Thursday they will put out the flagpoles and flags. Set up for Monday will be Sunday afternoon at the auditorium, chairs, speaker system, flags and standards. Legion meeting will be May 2 for more information and will pass it along by email. Tuesday following (SAL meeting) we will take down and fold the flags, depending on weather.

--Bud may step up to hold the Area "A" Vice Commander position as the District 3 Commander is not stepping up.

--Newsletter was read

Next meeting will be May 30, 2023 at 7 PM.

Benediction was given by Darin Greunke

VC Kittle closed the meeting.