

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

ROY REED SQUADRON #252

WINSIDE, NE

MARCH 26, 2024

Commander Darin Greunke called the meeting to order with 4 members present (Darin Greunke, Bud Neel, Kevin Andersen and David Greunke) and led the salute to the flag. David Greunke offered the opening prayer. With the POW/MIA flag in place, a moment of silence was observed for our comrades, the comrades of our fathers and the POW/MIA. Cmdr. Greunke led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance and the SONS preamble.

Bud read the minutes of the February 26, 2024 meeting. A correction was made by Kevin Andersen, to the benevolent savings account, unreserved is \$19,514.41. **Kevin Andersen moved to approve the minutes with the correction, David Greunke seconded, motion passed.**

Kevin Andersen gave the treasurers' report as of March 27, 2024:

--General checking account. **David Greunke moved to approve the report, Bud Neel second, motion passed.**

--Benevolent checking account

--Benevolent savings account. **David Greunke moved to approve the benevolent reports, Bud Neel second, motion passed.**

Committee reports:

--Kevin Andersen reported on the survey example. Looks good, Kevin will update the questions and send out.

--Thank you for Arlin and Rhonda on Thrivent card for Valentine gift packages. Thank you to everyone that helped.

--Mrs. Hansen has everything ordered for the Sunday, April 7 fundraiser for the Washington D.C. student trip. There will be spaghetti, salad and desserts, flyers are out. Need SONS volunteers there by 7:30 to organize set-up.

--Raffle of 4 half hogs donated by Dale Hansen. We will end ticket sales on June 16 and draw on June 17. Tickets will be \$10.00 each. Need processing date and who will pay for the processing.

Sick Call: none

Unfinished business:

--Bingo attended by Bud at Homer Legion Riders #97 was explained. Prizes were turkey, ham, bacon and rib eyes. Not sure if Bingo would go over in Winside. Bud will call and get the particulars on how it is set up. Might be a different type of fundraiser.

--ALA Bingo at the Norfolk Veterans Home is 3-28-24 at 2 PM. Volunteers needed.

--ALA Poppy Day is Saturday, May 25, 2024 at businesses in Wayne, 9-12 am. ALA is asking for assistance.

--Scholarship essays for Tim Voss Scholarship were picked up by Cmdr. Greunke. Members reviewed the essays and a vote was taken. **David Greunke moved to award the scholarship to Zachary Bilsteins, Kevin Andersen second, motion passed.**

--Two (2) thank you cards were received for gift baskets: Jan Topp and David & Lenell Quinn.

--Legion had advised Bud of a \$75.00 bill at Wayne Herald the Post had paid. After research, it was found it was a Thank You advertisement for the SONs for Special Olympics fundraiser. Kevin Andersen moved to reimburse the Legion \$75.00, David Greunke second, motion passed. Bud wrote the check to the Legion.

--Boys State orientation and Jr. Law Selection will be on Sunday, April 14, 2024 at 1:30 at the Emerson High School.

--The 4-H Council asked if the SONs will sponsor any fair trophies. **Bud Neel moved to sponsor 6 trophies at this year's County Fair, David Greunke second, motion passed.**

--Bud Neel submitted a bill for items from Legion Emblem sales (SONs grave markers, certificates holders and SONs flags) for \$337.64. **Kevin Andersen moved to approve the bill, David Greunke second, motion passed.**

--Discussion on Memorial Day. Bud advised the bus will leave the Legion Post about 7-7:15. Volunteers are needed for firing squad and flags. Program will be at 10:30 at the Winside auditorium. Taps player and speaker have not been confirmed. The Legion discussed doing the 13 flag folding ceremony.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, April 30 at 7 pm

David Greunke offered benediction

Cmdr. Greunke closed the meeting.