

Minutes of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4051
3 August 2024

The meeting was called to order by Commander Anthony at 0900. The opening prayer was given by Commander Anthony. A break for breakfast and the meeting resumed at 1000.

Speakers from Wells Fargo (Ann) and Jim, a Certified Financial Planner spoke on investment opportunities to the members present.

Members of the VFW District 5 Warriors spoke on upcoming events to include 8 August Vibes baseball game; 11 August Ride Hwy of Legends; 17 August help at Veterans Rally in Woodland Park and 30 August join with the District 12 Warriors for a ride. Meetings could be held at our Post. Warriors could possibly help distribute Thanksgiving baskets. The District 5 Warriors also give Christmas gifts to residents of Bruce McCandless Community Living Center in Florence.

John Mazella received a Quilt of Valor created by Susan Brunner.

Dough Fitzgerald from Congressman Lamborn's office spoke VA benefits.

Membership cards were verified. A salute to the colors was rendered. The opening prayer was given by Chaplain PJ Yuson. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commander Anthony.

Due to the multiple speakers and a special presentation much of the normal ritual was not recited. Also with rare exception committee reports were not given.

The reading of the minutes was waived as they have been posted on the website

New members this month were Wesley Kking, Michael Delaney, Ronald Christofferson, Tony Mendenilla, Robert Schaffner, Ben Wilmore and Bryan Fleming. New members present spoke to the members.

Quartermaster's Report was given and is subject to audit.

Quartermaster Veed made a motion to have a raffle of a Smith and Wesson M&P 9. The drawing will be on 11 November at 1100. 400 tickets will be sold. Proceeds will go to Veterans Relief. The motion was approved.

Quartermaster Veed made a motion to have a raffle of a Canick 9mm. The drawing will be held on 24 December at 1300. 350 tickets will be sold. The profits from this raffle will be donated to the Department Service office. The motion was approved.

Quartermaster Veed made a motion to invest Post funds (Not to exceed \$250,000) into an investment account. Jim, the guest speaker from the beginning of the meeting will help Eric and Commander Dave Anthony choose the best investments for our money. \$150,000 will go into a 36 month annuity and \$100,000 to a short term annuity. The motion was approved.

Service Officer – James Pines – James spoke about how veterans can get their VA benefits raised. He passed out forms to be filled out by people who have information on personal experiences of the veteran.

No Comrades in Distress reported.

The Charter was draped for deceased member Frank Lucy.

House Committee: Mike received compliments on today's breakfast. He mentioned upcoming menus for Friday night dinners for the month of August.

Larry Johnson mentioned that all Post members are recruiters.

There was no correspondence.

Unfinished Business None

New Business (other than what was mentioned before) None

Good of the Order – Mention was made of the Mayor's program to give school supplies to needy children.

The closing ceremony was given and the meeting was closed at 1115. The next meeting will be 7 September opening at 0900.

Barbara Green
Adjutant

Approved

David Anthony
Commander