

ADAMS, HANNA, MOORE MEMORIAL POST 156

Meeting Agenda Thursday, March 20, 2025

1900 Hrs. – VFW Hall (with virtual link)

1. Opening Ceremony
2. The Commander recognizes any visiting dignitaries - **None**
3. Any Legionnaires here for the first time please stand and introduce yourself to include Military and Civilian professions - **None**
4. Adjutant: Please determine quorum (8 members) - **quorum present**
5. Minutes: After the minutes of the last meeting have been read by the Adjutant, the Commander asks, "Are there any corrections?" If none the minutes stand approved as corrected and will be added to our Web page." - **No changes**
6. Finance Officer's Report: After the finance officer's report, the commander says, "If there are no questions or corrections, the report will be filed for auditing." Finance Audit Committee (Volunteers from the membership)

- **Summary of monthly revenues and expenses reported**
- **Bull Roast table to support VFW purchased. All tickets sold. Tickets for District 4 Bull Roast purchased. 6 tickets remaining**
- **Check for 2.5k presented to the HC Monument Committee representative, Wanda Riddle**

7. Officer's Reports:

Commander's Report:

-VFW charges for monthly meeting (\$100/month) and bar (\$50/month)

- **Discussion on memo. Members shared their opinion. The Commander will discuss the issue with the VFW to determine a path going forward. The Post suggested that the VFW be considered a charity.**

-Upcoming Legion funding raising events

1.Support District 4, Northern Central Region, Department of Maryland: Fund Raising: 2nd Annual 4th District (NCR) Raffle Fundraiser (two packets of 125 tickets each)

2.Department of Maryland "A Celebration of Champions" Inaugural Gala April 19, 2025 (6:00 pm 10:00 pm) \$100.00 per person \$150.00 per couple at Water's Edge Events Center, Belcamp.

Spring Gala this Friday, RSVP by Wednesday.

3.4th District (NCR) 1st Annual Bull, Oyster & Clam Roast and Fundraiser April 26, 2025 2:00 pm

-Election Committee: Seeking nominations. **Please contact Walt or any current officer if you have questions about this opportunity.**

-Blood Drive: **Walter Chahanovich** coordinated this event. **A total of 8 pints of blood were donated by Post members**

-Audit Committee: **Volunteers were requested. Several members volunteered. The Commander will lead this review with volunteers.**

-Scheduling and Tracking Package -Presentation by Todd Goff. **Todd described a pilot project to record and track volunteer hours. The group shared comments regarding the financial impact of this pilot project. A motion was made to support this pilot program with 50% of funding provided by Post 300 (George Delaney commitment to support). As part of this pilot effort, Legion State leadership will be presented with this plan to seek their endorsement with the intent to make this Motion was accepted**

-Boy's and Girl's State: **We currently have 1 Boys State and 1 Girls State candidate. They will attend the April meeting to introduce themselves. The Post will vote afterwards to sponsor their attendance this summer.**

-Howard County Public Service Awards: **We will present the three HC Fire Service award winners with certificates and monetary awards (\$250/each) at the April meeting.**

-Golf Tournament: **Two members described how they run golf tournament fundraisers. A motion was made and passed for the the Post to explore this mechanism as a future fundraiser.**

Top Izzy's internment will take place on Thursday, 27 March, 1300 at Arlington Cemetery. The Commander and Chaplain will explore a limousine service to transport members.

1st Vice Commander: **The Spring Gala will be held tomorrow. The highlight of the event will be a performance by the Yale University choir.**

2nd Vice Commander: **Next Flag ceremony on 19 April. Planning for Memorial Day Poppies underway.**

3rd Vice Commander: **Excused**

Adjutant's Report:**Nothing to report**

Judge Advocate: **Excused**

Chaplain: **Plans to participate at Top Izzy's internment shared. Critical for anyone wanting to attend by bus or van should contact the chaplain. The wife of Dennis Thornton's spouse recently passed away.**

Resource Officer: **John Sheldon has reported that he will be transferring to Post 109 to take the lead as the State representative for marksmanship activities.**

Public Affairs Officer:

Historian: Randy provided a review of all officers and members at large in preparation for inclusion into

Standing Committee Reports

-Honor Flights: **Honor flights start next week. Schedule posted on website and Facebook.**

-Liaison Reports:

1. VFW 7472: Robert Pelletier - **Excused**
2. MCL 1084 – Bill Swain/Ed Hall - **Excused**
3. HoCo V:&MF Commission & Joint Military Council – Greg Jolissaint: **Everyone is invited to attend military night honoring HS students enlisting in military service. The event will be held on 29 APR at Oakland Mills HS. Time to be provided.**
4. Other Special Committee Reports

Unfinished Business:

New Business:

For the Good of the American Legion

Planning for LTC(R) Greenfield, Post 300, 105th Birthday is underway. Wanda will share details on plans via email.

Member John Horan, past Post 156 Commander is going through a challenging time.

Todd shared that 25 packages were prepared and mailed. Three additional packages were mailed to the unit to share.

Closing Ceremony

Adjournment for Refreshments