



American Legion Berkeley Post 14
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HFE Meeting Minutes – American Legion Post 14 – Thursday June 1, 2017

Old Business

No Old Business at this time.

New Business

Commander Ken Moneagle discussed the need for Officers to understand the positions they each hold.

Commander Moneagle stated that all Cross Talk / Side Conversations needed to cease during meetings – too many items discussed are being misunderstood or forgotten completely. The Sgt at Arms will enforce this issue if someone chooses to act disrespectful.

Commander Moneagle asked the Committee to consider an analysis of the Post operations – there are instructions in the **2017 Officers Guide** (pages 24-27). No further discussion was held.

Baseball Manager/Coach John Goodreau discussed the hardships of getting a starting team this season. It would be better to have tryouts & scouting players around August. Discussion of the funding needed, already spent, and possible future financial commitments ensued:

Trustee Bob Speaks motioned that we commit a total of \$3000.00 (\$500.00 Insurance & Registration fees and \$2500.00 Operational Funding). 2nd Vice Commander Frank Fischer seconded. – The motion carried with no opposition.

2nd Vice Commander Frank Fischer motioned that the additional \$85.00 needed for the “Senior” Registration & Insurance for the startup fees this year be paid immediately. Treasurer Jack Lauer seconded. – The motion carried with no opposition

A discussion on the upcoming **Gun Bonanza** was held. 1st Vice Commander Brian Tolstyka suggested that a suitable collection of guns could be purchased for approximately \$350.00 each. A tentative date of August 16th, 2017 is being looked at; however calls need to be made to ensure we are not competing with other organizations that weekend. 2nd Vice Commander Frank Fischer motioned that we earmark \$5250.00 for the purchase of approximately 15 weapons. 1st Vice Commander Brian Tolstyka seconded. Motion carried with no opposition.

Treasurer Jack Lauer gave the Finance Report (attached). Trustee Bob Speaks made a motion the report be accepted. 2nd Vice Commander Frank Fischer seconded it. Motion carried with no opposition. Treasurer Jack Lauer stated he would contact “Lois” to place a half page ad in the Summer Convention Program. A discussion was held about who was providing the “Pull Tabs” Post 14 or District 10. It was stated that former Adjutant Charles Stanley needed to inventory the Pull Tabs under his care.

Past Commander Robbie Robinson discussed **Boys State**. There are 28 boys from Berkeley County and a total of 420 boys statewide attending this year. Post 14 has \$5250.00 or the \$5600.00 committed currently. Not worried as the VFW is supposed to make a donation tomorrow. There is a need to know how many are going to attend the dinner on Wednesday, June 14th.

Commander Ken Moneagle stated that the owners of Big Bucks Bingo would be present at next meeting to discuss Post 14 holding bingo at their location. Several members stated that they were very cautious as the legal documents were unclear as to how many if not all of the charges were dropped. Commander Moneagle stated he would request that their attorneys also attend the meeting. There is still an open discussion as to Post 14’s gambling license. Is it active with no permanent location?

A short discussion was held about the land which still remains for sale. 1st Vice Commander made a motion that we relist the property at \$85,000.00 – Treasurer Jack Lauer seconded. The motion carried with no opposition.

Meeting ended at 6:50PM