

**Minutes of S. Gus Alexander, Jr. Memorial American Legion Post 111,
Department of Texas
Meeting**

2 June 2010

Regular Meeting Called to Order at 1900L.

Roll Call of Officers:

Gary Smith, Commander – Present & Presiding

S.A. LeJune, Vice-Commander – Present

Steve Kennedy, Adjutant - Present

Pat Sansom, Finance Officer – Present

Charles Nations, Chaplain – Excused

Gary Poplin, Judge Advocate – Present

Steve Kennedy, Historian - Present

Jerry Adams, Service Officer - Present

Jim Swafford - Sergeant at Arms – Present

Pat McEnroe, Trustee Chairman – Present

Ed Jones, Trustee – Present

Luis Santana, Trustee – Present

Officers Present: 10

Other voting members present: 5

Frank Brown

Willard Hampton

Jan Cloud

Sandy Hudson

Clarence Baker

Total voting members present 15

Guests Present: 2

Bernard Aderholt, 5th District American Legion Commander

Jimmy McClendon, 5th District American Legion Sergeant-at-Arms

SAL 0

AL Auxiliary 0

Total Present: 17

Opening ceremonies were held. S.A. LeJune gave the opening prayer. Gary Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ed Jones introduced a motion to suspend the reading of and approve as published the minutes from the regular post meeting held on 5 May 2010. S.A. LeJune seconded the motion. A vote was called and the motion carried.

The Commander called for the Committee reports.

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Pat Sansom presented the Finance Report for May. The post made \$310 at the April Steak Night. The garage sale resulted in \$300. The 2009 tax return has been completed. The Finance Officer expressed her dire concern over the post finances. S.A. LeJune introduced a motion to accept the Finance reports as published for February. Clarence Baker seconded the motion. A vote was called and the motion carried.

S.A. LeJune provided the Membership Report. The Post is currently at 119 paid members for 2010, including PUFLs. This is currently at 64.3% of membership goal. Jan Cloud provided his DD-214. As such, he is now an official member of Post 111.

There was no Judge Advocate report.

There was no Service Officer Report.

There was no Trustee report. The Commander stated that there was a call of interest for purchasing the building recently. The caller was referred to Ebbly Halliday Realtors.

Gary Smith provided the Webmaster Status. The website has been updated and submitted for competition.

Jim Swafford presented the Building Manager Status Report. Locks have been put on the rear access gates. Keys will be provided for post officers that have a need to be at the Post on a regular basis. Other members will be provided a key for a \$5 charge.

The Post Commander asked for Sick Call Report inputs. There were no inputs.

Unfinished Business:

- Reservation for a booth spot submitted for our normal Country Day on the Hill activities.
- Convention delegate registration forms have been signed and provided to S.A. LeJune.
- Reminder about the joint World War II recognition event on 5 June. Post opens at 1730. Dinner will be served at 1830. Members from several other posts will be attending. The mayor of Dallas will be a guest speaker. The cost is \$15 for individual and \$25 for a couple. A DJ will be playing music. This will also serve as a fundraising event for the post. Attire is casual.

New Business:

- The next family night is scheduled for 12 June at 1600. It will be a burgers and dogs night. The burgers have been donated by Post 511. Cost will be \$7 for a hamburger plate. Extra burgers will cost \$1 each. Sides will be provided, too.

For the Good of Legion:

- The 5th District Commander stated that the district meeting will be held on 13 June at Post 597. The district convention will be held 23 and 24 October at Post 453.

Gary Poplin made a motion to conduct elections for the post officer positions. Ed Jones seconded the motion. A vote was called and the motion carried. The Post Commander turned the meeting over to the District Commander in order to conduct the elections.

The following officer nominations were put forward by the post membership. The member making the motion and the member seconding the motion are so annotated. A vote was called for each position and each vote was unanimous.

- Commander – S.A. LeJune. Motion: Ed Jones. Second: Clarence Baker.
- Vice Commander – Steve Kennedy. Motion: Gary Poplin. Second: S.A. LeJune.
- Finance Officer – Pat Sansom. Motion: Gary Poplin. Second: S.A. LeJune.
- Sergeant at Arms – Willard Hampton. Motion: Gary Poplin. Second: S.A. LeJune.
- Chaplain - Charlie Nations. Motion: Gary Poplin. Second: S.A. LeJune.
 - Note: Since Charlie Nations was not present and there was no written consent provided by Charlie that he will serve in that capacity, the motion made by Gary Poplin was to (1) waive the rule that requires a letter be on file from Charlie, and (2) elect Charlie Nations to the position of Chaplain.
- Judge Advocate – Gary Poplin. Motion: S.A. LeJune. Motion: S.A. LeJune. Second: Luis Santana.
- Historian – Ed Jones. Motion: Gary Poplin. Second: S.A. LeJune.
- Service Officer – Jerry Adams. Motion: Gary Poplin. Second: S.A. LeJune.
- Trustees – Jim Swafford, Ed Jones, Luis Santana. Motion: Gary Poplin. Second: Luis Santana.

Post Officer installation was conducted by the 5th District Commander. Since the Chaplain was not present for installation, Charlie Nation will be installed by the Post Commander at the next regular meeting. In addition to the above listed elected officers, Gary Smith was also installed as the Post Adjutant.

The District Commander commended Gary Smith for his service as the Commander of Post 111.

The meeting was turned back over to the Post Commander.

The closing prayer was given by S.A. LeJune.

The colors were retired.

The Commander adjourned the meeting at 1930L.

The meeting minutes were recorded and transcribed by Steve Kennedy, Adjutant, and approved by Gary Smith, Commander.

_____ Date: _____

Minutes approved by Membership: _____