

**Minutes of S. Gus Alexander, Jr. Memorial American Legion Post  
111,  
Department of Texas  
Combined Board of Trustees and Executive Committee Meeting  
9 July 2008**

Combined Board of Trustees and Executive Committee Meeting Called to Order at 1901L

Roll Call of Officers:

Gary Smith, Commander – Present and Presiding

SA LeJune, Vice Commander – Present

Dennis Egbert, Adjutant - Absent

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

William “Hawk” Hawkins, Trustee – Present

Frank Brown, Trustee – Present

Sherman Swafford, Trustee (12) - Excused

Executive Committee Officers Present:       7

Board of Trustees Members Present:       3

Guests Present:                               0

Country Day on the Hill was discussed. The Post will participate and have one booth. At this time, no games will be provided and the SAL plans to participate. As of now, the booth will focus on obtaining new members. Joe O’Neil has stated that he can get several small, one person vehicles and the Post will be provided one golf cart at the beginning of the event and a second cart after the parade.

Gary S. brought up the subject of tracking time that is volunteered and how important it is to National to have an accurate CPR. Gary will make up a sheet for persons to submit each month.

Status on the stair carpeting was given by Gary and Jim. Gary was able to arrange for the donation of carpet from a nearby carpet dealer. Installing the carpet is the next phase of the project.

Gary P. raised the issue about the \$500 insurance claim resulting from the bathroom flooding incident. This needs follow-up.

Jim will work on finishing the front door.

Jim stated that there has been no progress on getting leases or with the realtor. Jim will check about

getting a new sign made and Pat M. will check into obtaining a new realtor.

The possibility of expanding the inside areas of the Post by knocking down walls was discussed. It is believed that some of the walls are concrete and load bearing and would not be generally feasible to do.

The issue concerning the implied commitment by the 12<sup>th</sup> District to help with \$625 rent that Post 111 paid to Parkside Townhouses was resolved. The Committee voted to drop the issue.

Gary S. asked about the status of the folding machine. Gary P. stated that the wrong parts were sent and had to be reordered. He also stated that it should be returned within the next week or two.

Gary S. asked if anyone knew where the yellow ladder was. Nobody knew. SA mentioned that he would donate a ladder.

Complaints about unauthorized dumpster use were received by the Commander. At least on one occasion, Aspire boxes have filled the dumpster after Aspire moved. Gary P. stated he would check into it. Dumpster use is reserved for the use of the Post and its tenants. Other use should have prior approval from the Building Manager or Commander.

Use of the Post facilities was discussed. Given the financial condition of the Post, Gary S. asked that members be sensitive to additional costs borne by the Post when Post facilities are used. If it will cost the Post undue expenses, approval should be sought from the Commander.

Gary S. brought up the possibility of sponsoring a District meeting sometime in the future. The idea was generally accepted, but any logistics would have to be worked out later.

Gary S. brought up two offers proposed by Post 511. The first involves the exchange of the unused ice maker for the ability to cater food at Post 511 events (Post 111 keeps all proceeds) and the use of their hall for free. The Committee was in general agreement that the machine could be loaned providing the machine was verified in working condition prior to the loan and that it would be returned in working condition. A motion was made by Gary P. and seconded by SA. The motion carried. The second proposal was to have Post 111 cater food for Post 511 special events. A vote was not taken, but it was agreed that each event held by Post 511 would be considered individually by Post 111 to ensure proper support could be provided.

Status of the Constitution and By-Laws was provided by Gary P. Gary P. stated a draft should be available for the next meeting.

It was agreed by the Committee that the Post would support the Aug. 16<sup>th</sup> event at Post 511.

Gary S. brought up the possibility of sponsoring a Fireman & Policeman of the Year award. The Post has typically not had good success in getting the Cedar Hill departments to participate.

SA provided status on the After Hours club assessment. SA provided costs for licensing, but a full business plan has been requested by the Commander.

SA has a company willing to donate a meeting table, desk and chairs to the Post.

Security status was provided by Jim. Old codes have been purged and new codes entered for those persons that wanted changes.

Pat S. indicated that she may be able to provide a new copier/printer.

SA led the closing prayer.

The Commander adjourned the meeting at 2035L.

The meeting minutes were documented by Gary Smith, Commander

Minutes approved by Gary Smith, Commander

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Minutes approved by Joint Meeting Members: \_\_\_\_\_