



S.A.L. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY – October 5, 2016

The monthly Executive Committee meeting of the Sons of the American Legion Squadron 347 was held Wednesday, October 5, 2016, in the Post 347 Conference Room. There being a quorum of 11 present, the meeting was properly called to order by 1st Vice Commander Gary Bishop at 5:35 PM. The Commander is absent attending a mock interview with Richard Duncan for his grandson's Air Force Academy application. The meeting was opened with a prayer by Chaplain Jack Dirga, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Officers present were, Gary Bishop, George Worton, Deano Mosingo, Mike Shebel, Jack Dirga, Ben Kisielica, Bill Gray, Doug White, Danny Adams, Corey Meloni, and Butch Stroud. Absent were Bill Preston, Bill Spriet, and Richard Duncan. Legion Liaison Len Biederman also attended.

Old Business: There was no old business to discuss.

New Business:

1st Vice Commander Gary Bishop asked Corey to update the committee on the status of the Special Olympics stuffed owl fundraiser. Corey said the first group of 25 stuffed owls has come in. They will be sold at all Special Olympics events where Squadron volunteers are present. Selling price is \$20; the cost is \$10; all profit will be ear-marked for our 2016-2017 contribution to the Special Olympics.

George Worton discussed the status of the Halloween Dance. The dance is scheduled for October 29th at 6 PM (doors open at 5 PM). Tickets have been printed and are ready to be sold. 20 tickets and a handful of flyers were given out to 2 committee members after tonight's meeting. It was clarified that tickets will be sold individually or in groups as a table of 10. It was emphasized that volunteers will be needed prior to 5 PM for table/chair setup; and after 9 PM to rearrange the chairs and put away the tables for the church meeting on Sunday morning.

1st Vice Commander Gary Bishop discussed the Lake Weir High School JROTC program and their request for a donation to support their program. Bill Gray stated that he is familiar with the Lake Weir program and that all of the students try very hard to be successful in school, and that the JROTC program is extremely helpful for them. Len Biederman stated that the Legion has voted to grant the JROTC program \$1,000 already. Danny Adams motioned to donate \$500 contingent on membership approval; seconded by George Worton. Motion was approved.

Judge Advocate Danny Addams discussed that the Legislative Committee is meeting next Wednesday at 5 PM to explore updating the organization's By-Laws. Anyone on the Executive Committee is welcome to attend. The process entails doing the re-write, getting the Department and District approval, then read them at a member meeting, then with a 10-day notice prior to the next member meeting, take a vote. The only change currently proposed is a change to the meeting time; although any other changes may be discussed and may be proposed.

Bill Gray discussed if the committee would be interested to have several of our scholarship recipients give short presentations at one of our membership meetings. The committee had no objection and asked that Mr. Gray proceed with arranging this for the November 16th general membership meeting.

There being no further business, the Chaplain said a closing prayer, the flag was saluted, and the meeting was adjourned by 1st Vice Commander Gary Bishop at 5:53 PM.

Yours in God and Country,
Doug White
Adjutant