

THE AMERICAN LEGION Virginia Beach Post 110 P.O. Box 62384 Virginia Beach, VA 23466

The meeting was called to order at 19:30 by presiding Commander, Post Adjutant Doug Uhlmann.

Introduction of Guest, Prospective and New Members: none noted.

A roll call of officers was conducted and not having a quorum post business would only be discussed.

Reading of minutes from the previous month was read.

Post members were informed on what information and training was received by Post Service Officer Doug Uhlmann during his attendance at the Department of Virginia Leadership College held 9-11 August, 2013 in Richmond, VA. He addressed the American Legion, Department of Virginia's Strategic Five Year Plan for Sustained Membership Growth. The Strategic Plan was developed to support sustained membership growth within the Department of Virginia. This plan was in response to National Headquarters passing of resolution 64 at its 2012 fall meeting. The five priorities of the strategic plan are to Create Brand Awareness; Communication; Increased Training/Education/Leadership Development; Post Creation, Development & Revitalization; and Membership Recruiting & Retention.

Committee Reports: The following committee reports were given:

- **Post Adjutant/Membership:** Received and processed 151 2014 membership renewals and 10 online renewals.
- **Service Officer:** Since June's post meeting, there have been 3 TFA requests processed and 3 other request for assistance with general information needed by veterans.
- <u>Finance</u>: Financial information from bank had not been received to date so a report was not given. Finance Officer Steve Sokolowski presented the 2013-2014 Budget for discussion and review. The 2013-2014 Budget will be voted on at September's meeting.

Old Business:

- Commander Wendell, at the July meeting, asked all American Legion Post 110 members to become more active in the recruitment of new members and the encouragement of existing members to renew their membership. Membership applications were made available to all attending the meeting to start the 2014 membership drive.
- This item was not mentioned until after the meeting was adjourned, however, it is of importance that it be brought up at this time and will be part of the next meeting's agenda. Service Officer Doug Uhlmann recommended that Post 110 purchase the following two

publications that would be useful to him in performing his duties: "Federal Veterans Laws, Rules, and Regulations" (\$63.00) and "Veterans Benefits Manual" (\$146.00).

New Business:

- Post Adjutant Doug Uhlmann asked that Webmaster Craig Huber remove Steve Pelon's name from the Executive Committee listing on Post 110's website and replace it with his name. Steve Pelon has resigned from the Adjutant's position due to his extensive active U.S. Navy duties.
- Post Adjutant Doug Uhlmann asked that post members, at the end of each month, please forward their volunteer times and miles driven to be used in Post Reports and the end of year Post Consolidated Report.
- Post Service Officer Doug Uhlmann stated a need for an American Legion female member that would volunteer as an additional Service Officer to help with upcoming Women's VA Claims.

Sick Call, Relief, and Employment:

Past Post Commander Wally Timmons continues to battle various health problems. He is recouping at Harbour Pointe Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center, 1005 Hampton Blvd, Norfolk, VA 23507.

Post Commander Bert Wendell is home and resting after a week in the hospital. Please contact him and let him know he is in our thoughts and prayers. If you would like his phone number, please refer to the Executive Committee listing on Post's 110's website: vapost110.org.

Correspondence Received:

The United States Air Force's 66th Birthday Celebration will be held on Tuesday September 17, 2013 at 10:00AM at the Joint-Use Intelligence Analysis Facility, 2460 Defense Way, Rivanna Station Charlottesville, Virginia 2291. To RSVP please contact TSGT William Wood at William.Wood@dodIIs.mil (434) 995-3933 or SSGT Katheryn Brunkhorst Katheryn.brunkhorst@dodIIs.mil (434) 995-3782.

Good of the Legion:

Post Adjutant reported that he collected and retired two dozen American Flags from the Virginia Beach Sheriff's Office collection station.

<u>Next Meeting:</u> 7:30 pm, Wednesday, September 11, 2013 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Senior Care Center, 4560 Princess Anne Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23462.

The meeting was adjourned at 2030.

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