

# THE AMERICAN LEGION – August 2016 Meeting Virginia Beach Post 110 P.O. Box 62384 Virginia Beach, VA 23466

<u>Call to Order:</u> The August 10, 2016 meeting of American Legion Post 110 was called to order by Vice Commander David Smith.

### **Introduction of Guests, Prospective and New Members:**

New members: Clarence Ross and Jack Roe

Guests: Four Boys State attendees and their parents and guests

**Post Everlasting:** Robert Melberg

Sick Call, Relief, and Employment: None

<u>Officer's Roll Call:</u> A roll call of Post 110's Officers was conducted, and having a quorum, business was discussed and voted on. Fifteen members were present.

#### **Committee Reports:**

Service Officer Doug Uhlmann: unable to attend but had nothing to report

Adjutant Fred Kinkin: Final paid membership for 2016 was 296. 152 members have renewed their 2017 membership. Reminder to all members to submit your volunteer hours monthly. Volunteer activity for July, 2016 was 192 hours and 1,372 miles travelled. 82 of the volunteer hours were from George Schmidt! Post 110 bumper stickers are available to all members – they were made by Post 56 and donated to our post.

Finance Officer Steve Sokolowski: Post checking account has \$3,084. Building fund now stands at total of \$12,867. (consisting of three CD's and one savings account.) The 2017 budget was approved by membership.

Chaplain George Schmidt: NTR

Historian, Sgt at Arms, Steve Wild: NTR

Web Master Craig Huber: The Post 110 website has been updated so that a pdf comes up for persons interested in new membership instead of a link to the national website. There is a Vietnam War Commemoration lapel pin available to all Vietnam service veteran.

Vice Commander Dave Smith: Future guest speakers are set up for the next three months including Morgan Yeager (Veterans Cemetery), Congressman Rigell and Percy Dozier (VA). Three signs announcing monthly meetings have been completed and are posted in front of OLPH on the day of our meetings.

**Reading of Minutes:** The July meeting minutes are posted on the vapost110.org website.

### **Guest Speaker/Special Recognition:**

The four Boys State attendees were individually introduced by Wendell Parker, Boys State Coordinator. Each boy described his experience and thanked the post for sponsorship.

Vice Commander David Smith led the post in a moment of silence commemorating the passing of Robert Melberg, World War II veteran and active post member, who passed away last week. Per his wishes there will not be a funeral or memorial service but his ashes will be interred in a columbarium next to his parents in Ponca City, OK. We will miss him!

## **Major Topics Discussed:**

- 1. Membership was interested in details of the September Airshow at Oceania and whether we would sponsor a table there. Vice Commander said he had not heard any details yet but would check with Commander Ryan.
- 2. The Post 110 Women's Auxiliary will start meeting separately in the OLPH chapel at the same date and time as the regular post meetings.

### **Correspondence Received:**

NTR

#### **Long Range Goals:**

- 1. Increase support for the NJROTC program in Va Beach.
- 2. Obtain permanent Post Home

### **Short Range Goals:**

1. Continue fundraising for new post home.

### **Recently Completed Events:**

February 9 – Four Chaplains Service

February 14 – Spring District 2 conference

March 1-13 – American Legion Dept. of Virginia spring meeting

May 19 – Landstown HS JROTC Award ceremony

May 30 - Memorial Day service at VA Beach Convention Center

June 5 – District 2 convention

June 14 - Flag Day Ceremony at OLPH

June 19 – Boys State at Radford University

July 13 – Post induction of new officers

August 10 – Boys State debrief by attendees

#### **Upcoming Events:**

Sept 9, 2016 – Patriots Day ceremony at OLPH Nov 10, 2016 – Veterans Day ceremony at OLPH Nov 11, 2016 – Veterans day parade at VB oceanfront and convention center December 14- American Legion Post 110 Holiday Party

## **Good of the Legion:**

Bert Wendell raised a motion to rename our post after Robert C. Melberg, WWII veteran who passed away on August 4, 2016. Post name to be: "The Staff Sargent Robert C. Melberg, USA, American Legion Post 110, Virginia Beach, VA". The motion was voted on and passed unanimously.

**50/50 Raffle:** David Smith won the crooked raffle and split the winnings between the new post home fund and the Women's Auxiliary.

<u>Next Monthly Meeting:</u> 7:30pm, Wednesday September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Conference Room, 4560 Princess Anne Rd, Va Beach, VA 23462. Guest speaker will be Morgan Yeager, Veteran's Cemetery representative.

The meeting was adjourned at 2130.

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