



**THE AMERICAN LEGION – March 2017 Meeting
Virginia Beach Post 110
P.O. Box 62384
Virginia Beach, VA 23466**

Call to Order: The March 8, 2017 meeting of American Legion Post 110 was called to order by Commander David Smith.

Introduction of Guests, Prospective and New Members:

New members: None

Guest speakers: None

Post Everlasting: Charles W. Orr, 2 years.

Sick Call, Relief, and Employment: None

Officer's Roll Call: A roll call of Post 110's Officers was conducted, and having a quorum, business was discussed and voted on. 15 members were present.

Committee Reports:

Service Officer Doug Uhlmann: unable to attend, nothing to report

Adjutant Fred Kinkin: 354 members paid to date in 2017 (108% of goal). We have had nine new members so far this year. 49 members are PUFL. Reminder to all members to submit your volunteer hours monthly. Volunteer activity for YTD February was 1,193 hours and 8,537 miles travelled.

Finance Officer Steve Sokolowski: Current financial status: \$13,651 in Building Fund and \$3,743.10 in Post Checking account.

Chaplain George Schmidt: Discussed chaplain support of Evelyn Hill. Will contact family of recently deceased member Charles Orr.

Historian, Sgt at Arms, Steve Wild: nothing to report.

Web Master Craig Huber: Discussed Boys State selection process. Recommended nomination of David Wolborsky of Indian River HS for Boys State.

Vice Commander Rick Jones: Has contact about 75% of members who have not renewed this year yet.

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

Guest Speaker/Special Recognition: None

Major Topics Discussed:

1. Adjutant Fred Kinkin discussed plans to invite all Post 110 Vietnam Era Veterans to the April 12th meeting to receive recognition for Vietnam service and receive Vietnam Era Service Commemoration Pins and certificates.
2. Good discussion was held about the potential of holding a telethon to contact potential members who have left the American Legion in the past five years. We have a list of approximately 350 members in the Virginia Beach area. Vice Commander Jones will coordinate the telethon which will be held at Adjutant Fred Kinkin's home at 3028 Sand Bend Road, Virginia Beach on Friday, March 31st from 6-9pm. Please confirm with Fred Kinkin if you plan to participate.
3. Bert Wendell summarized the plans for the official ceremony to rename our post to the "SSgt Robert C. Melberg, U.S. Army American Legion Post 110 Virginia Beach" at our April 12 regularly scheduled meeting.
4. Wendell Parker, Boys State Coordinator discussed plans for the 2017 Boys State selection process. Boys State will be held 18-24 June at Radford University. We will be sponsoring four boys, one from Green Run HS, one from Bishop Sullivan HS and two from Kellam HS (who will be funded by Kellam HS). Wendell also agreed to contact the Chesapeake post about sponsoring David Wolborsky from Indian River HS. Cost is \$400 per student plus \$150 for transportation.

Action Items Agreed:

1. A ceremony will be planned to recognize the new post name and relatives of Robert C. Melberg in April. (Wendell)
2. Boys State candidates will be interviewed by Boys State Coordinator. Also, will contact Chesapeake post to ask to nominate candidate David Wolborsky from Indian River HS. (Parker)
3. Investigate VFW Post 392 as potential site for our future post meetings. (Smith)
4. Organize a recognition ceremony for all Vietnam Era Veteran post members who have not yet received their commemorative pins. Schedule ceremony for the April meeting. (Kinkin)
5. Coordinate telethon on 31 March to find new members. (Jones)
6. Fred Kinkin will coordinate awards for First Colonial HS and Green Run HS NJROTC units. Dave Smith will coordinate awards for Landstown HS. NJROTC. (Kinkin and Smith)

Correspondence Received: None

Long Range Goals:

1. Obtain permanent Post Home.
2. Increase active membership participation.

Recently Completed Events:

Nov 10	Veteran's Day ceremony at OLPH
Nov 11	Veteran's Day parade at VB oceanfront and convention center
Dec 14	American Legion Post 110 Christmas Party
Feb 05	Four Chaplains Memorial Service
Feb 19	2 nd District Spring Conference

Upcoming Events:

Mar 10-12 American Legion Department of Virginia Spring Conference in Va Beach
Apr 12 American Legion Post 110 meeting at OLPH; official ceremony to rename Post 110 to: "SSgt Robert W. Melberg, US Army, American Legion Post 110 Virginia Beach"
May 10 American Legion Post 110 meeting
May 18 First Colonial HS NJROTC Awards Ceremony
May 29 Memorial Day (Observed)
June 14 American Legion Post 110 meeting/Flag Day/Meet Boys State candidates
July 12 American Legion Post 110 meeting and Boys State candidate feedback

Good of the Legion: Nothing to report.

50/50 Raffle: Craig Huber won the Crooked Raffle and donated the winnings to the new post home fund.

Next Monthly Meeting: 7:30pm, Wednesday, April 12, 2017 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Conference Room, 4560 Princess Anne Rd, Va Beach, VA 23462.

The meeting was adjourned at 2035.

Submitted by:
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