

Robert H. Baker American Legion Post 95 Meeting Minutes of February 21, 2006

25 members in attendance: "Mac" Williams, Paul Riechman, Donna Warren, Mike Edwards, Alan Shannon, Bobby Beeks, Ray Nichols, Robert Emery, Paul Ellison, John Gibbs, Marvin Mendenhall, Fred Cox, Ira Hunter, Larry Allen, Don Happy, Ted Nelson, Ray Adkins, Eugene Welch, Paul Payne, Jim Rieck, Ed Backstrom, George Dixon, Marvin Scott, John Kopp, and Calvin Nelson.

Commander Paul Ellison opened the meeting in due form at 19:02 HRS

Commander Paul Ellison led the pledge of allegiance

Chaplin Donna Warren gave the opening prayer.

Larry Allen led the post in reciting the preamble

Commander Ellison introduced John Kopp – new member, George Dixon, Marvin Scott – New Member.

Adjutant Robert Emery read the minutes from the November meeting; the minutes were approved as read.

Finance Officer Ray Nichols gave the Post finance report. A copy of the finance report is available with these minutes. The finance report was approved as read.

Committee Reports:

Girls State:

Girls State Chairperson Donna Warren reported that the Liberty Lions had sent in a check for \$250 to sponsor a Girls State candidate. Donna also reported that the PEO would be sponsoring two girls as well

Donna made a motion the Post 95 would sponsor two Girl State candidates for a total of \$450. Motion seconded by Marvin Mendenhall the motion passed.

Boys State:

Boys State Chairperson Robert Emery reported that he had sent out letters to boys state sponsors asking if they would like to sponsor a boys state candidate. Paul Ellison said that the Liberty lions had received their letter and were going to sponsor a Boy's State Candidate.

Color Guard:

Color Guard Commander Mike Edwards said that he has scheduled an Honor Team practice for 28th February at 19:00 HRS at the Post. Anyone that is interested please contact Mike Edwards. Mike also said that the honor team would add an Honor Team patch to the left cuff of the jacket. Please see Don Happy for patches.

Mike Edwards said that the South Valley Middle School contacted him for a Veterans Program; the date has not been set.

Membership:

Vice Commander Ted Nelson reported that our current paid up membership was 257 and that put us at 118.43% for the year so far. Ted also said that he had good results with the letters he had sent out to those members that had not yet renewed their membership for 2006.

Vice Commander Ted Nelson thanked those that visited the VA Hospital.



Sick Call:

Johnny Vronz: Has had knee replacement surgery

John Hudgens: is doing well

John Yackel; had lung surgery and is doing well

Neal Harding; is in Liberty Hospital

Spaghetti Dinner:

Jim Rieck will be picking up what he needs for the sauce and Allan Shannon will be picking supplies from SAMS CLUB

Commander Ellison passed around a sign up sheet for the Spaghetti Dinner

Jim Rieck said he would need prep help on the Friday before starting at 13:00 at the Post.

Don Happy showed off the raffle prizes he got.

Bobby Beeks said that he was going to start getting door prizes tomorrow.

Donna Warren said that she would decorate the tables.

Commander Ellison reminded everyone we would need people with food handling Certificates to serve food.

Commander Ellison reported that we had all the newsletter ads sold and were waiting on payment on three of the ads.

Commander Ellison gave a second reading of the proposed Post By-Law changes.

Larry Allen made a motion that the amended by-laws be accepted. Jim Rieck seconded the motion the motion passed.

Don Happy reminded everyone that if they wanted to order legion stuff see him after the meeting. BINGO:

John Gibbs will be bringing deserts to Thursday night BINGO

Alan Shannon told everyone about HOLTS Ham and Yam Dinner Saturday starting at 17:00 New Business:

Commander Ellison said that he had received a call from the city of Liberty requesting the post perform a flag disposal ceremony at spring on the Square. Which will be held May 20th at 08:45:

Commander Ellison asked if the Post wanted to set up an information table again and that we would need to find a new place to set up since the barbershop had closed.

Ira hunter made a motion that Post 95 set up an information table at spring on the Square. John Gibbs seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Commander Ellison said we would need volunteers to man the booth as well as honor guard and disposal team members.

Commander Ellison said that it is time to form a nomination committee:

Don Happy, Fred Cox, and Ira Hunter volunteered to be on the committee.

Commander Ellison asked if the Post wanted to renew its Chamber of Commerce membership for another year at a cost of \$210.

Jim Rieck made a motion to renew the membership in the Chamber of Commerce. Ira hunter seconded the motion the motion passed.

Correspondence:

Commander read a Thank you card form Judy Sires for the donation the Post had made in honor of Leslie Sires to the ALS

He also read a thank you card from Foster Sires for the Post attending his son's funeral.



Commander Ellison showed the streamer the Post received from national for its donation to the NEF. Commander Ellison presented the streamer to Color Guard Commander Mike Edwards so he could place it on the Post Colors.

Commander Ellison read a request for donation from the LHS After Prom Committee.

He explained that the money would be used to hold after Prom parties so the kids would have a safe place to go after the Prom.

Bobby Beeks made a motion to donate \$100 for the LHS After Prom Party. Ray Adkins seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Commander Ellison closed the meeting at 20:10HRS

Submitted		Approved	
	Robert C. Emery – Adjutant		Paul Ellison - Commander