



Sons of The American Legion Detachment of South Dakota

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2011 Convention Minutes – Oacoma, SD – June 25, 2011

The meeting was called to order by Commander Greg Lemieux at 10:45 AM.

Colors were saluted as they were in place.

Roll Call was taken with Iroquois – 2, Pierre – 2, Watertown – 2, Martin – 2, and Piedmont - 1. Quorum was met. NEC John Dewell, Sergeant at Arms AJ Royal, and Commander Greg Lemieux were present.

Acting Chaplain Mike Goetzing led the prayer.

Colin Royal presented the membership report and stated that membership was outstanding and that one Squadron has sent little or no memberships in. Nine Squadrons have surpassed the 100% goal and 3 memberships were turned in. Also he stated that the Detachment was currently 5th in the nation and that we were at an all time high with 555 members.

Mike Goetzing gave the finance report. He reported a balance of \$4839.02 with some checks outstanding and the rifle raffle funds also outstanding. Motion to accept the report by AJ Royal and 2nd by John Dewell, Motion carried.

John Harper of Watertown Squadron 17 briefed the membership on a proposal for a resolution to allow the Sons of The American Legion membership to expand to include fathers, brothers, and uncles. Discussion on the resolution proceeded with a minor change of wording and was approved as amended. Motion by John Harper, 2nd by Steve Hicks, Motion Carried.

Discussion on the proposal of a Paid Up For Life (PUFL) with an assigned committee of Greg Lemieux, Colin Royal, and Steve Hicks to research financial support and to develop a viable program for the Detachment of South Dakota.

Commander Lemieux briefed on the Tribute to the troops to be held in Pierre on June 17 – 19, 2011 was cancelled due to the Missouri flooding.

Commander Lemieux presented 100% membership awards to Piedmont, Martin, Iroquois, and announced other recipients as Lemmon, Herreid, Redfield, Hot Springs, Rapid City and Gettysburg. Gettysburg was named the Top Recruiting Squadron of the Year for 2011.

The Son of the Year recipient was Colin Royal of Iroquois Squadron 280.

Elections were held with no nominations from the floor, a motion that nominations cease and current officers be re-elected. Motion by Steve Hicks and 2nd by John Dewell, Motion carried.



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Delegates were elected with Colin Royal, Greg Lemieux, John Dewell, and Russ Eagleman selected motion by John Dewell 2nd by Russ Eagleman, Motion carried.

Acting Chaplain Mike Goetzinger led in the closing prayer.

Commander Lemieux closed the meeting with the appropriate ceremony at 12:00PM.

Colin Royal
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