



Sons of The American Legion Detachment of South Dakota

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Detachment Executive Committee Meeting April, 19, 2008, Pierre Post 8

The meeting was called to order by Commander Greg Lemieux at 11:00 AM.

Colors were saluted as the were in place.

Acting Chaplain AJ Royal led the prayer.

Roll Call was taken Iroquois – 2, and Pierre – 2. NEC Pee Wee Douthit absent and Alternate NEW Bobby Bender excused absence. American Legion Liaison Red Vetter was not present.

Quorum was not met, therefore no voting actions will be taken by the Executive Committee although business may be conducted as necessary and presented to the Convention for approval.

Minutes of the 2008 Mid-Winter Conference at Oacoma, SD were read and amended to include a motion on the 2007 Detachment election that was inadvertently left out of the minutes.

Finance report was not available.

Membership Report was given by Adjutant Royal stating that membership was still low, but still trickling in.

OLD BUSINESS

The change to the Constitution, Article VIII Finances, Section 5 was discussed and placed in the agenda for the 2008 Detachment Convention. A call for copies of past Detachment minutes was issued and went unanswered except for the 2003 Detachment Convention minutes provided by Alt. NEC Bender.

Commander Lemieux stated that under American Legion Department of South Dakota Executive meeting direction and research by Adjutant Royal revealed that any and all past changes to the Constitution and Bylaws that are not documented are null and void unless documentation can be provided.

Date of June 14, 2008 was set for the raffle drawing of the shotgun by Commander Lemieux. The drawing will be held at the Detachment Convention in Watertown.

NEW BUSINESS

The agenda for the Detachment Convention was discussed with several items being placed on the agenda for discussion.

Adjutant Royal briefed on National Commander Richard Giehl's inaugural National Veteran's Assistance Day to be held on May 17, 2008, Armed Forces Day. Each Squadron should assist



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at least one veteran on this day to say "Thank You for your service and sacrifices." The possibilities are endless for this day.

A suggestion by Adjutant Royal for the Detachment go from one Vice Commander to two Vice Commanders, one for East River and one for West River since the Squadrons that we have at this time are divided fairly evenly between the two. He will submit the proposal for discussion at the Detachment Convention.

Commander Lemieux appointed himself, John Dewel, AJ Royal, and Adjutant Royal as the Son of the Year selection Committee.

Meeting was recessed for Son of the Year selection at 12:05PM.

Meeting was resumed at 12:15PM.

Congratulations to Brent Matter of Bensley-Rounds Squadron 280 of Iroquois on being selected as the Detachment Son of the Year for 2008.

Acting Chaplain AJ Royal led the closing prayer.

Commander Lemieux closed the meeting with the appropriate ceremony at 12:28 PM.

Colin Royal
Detachment Adjutant

