



AMERICAN LEGION POST 177

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CANFIELD, OH 44406

DATE: 06 February 2016

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Monthly Meeting, 02 February 2016

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM.
2. Sixteen (16) present (3 officers, 9 members and 4 guests).
3. The POW flag was placed by Dominic Diloreto and a hand salute rendered. This was followed by a prayer by Chaplain Kochert, the Pledge of Allegiance, and the Legion Preamble.
4. Introduction of guests
 - a. Carson Markley
 - b. Brenda Markley
 - c. Braxton Madison
 - d. David Hofsess
 - e. Will Hood

5. Motion to approve the minutes from November's meeting passed unanimously.

Motion by Chuck Coleman 2nd Bernie Kosar

6. Committee Reports:

- a. Commander - Read thank you note from the VA Food Bank for our donation.
- b. First Vice - None
- c. Adjutant - Excused absence.
- d. Chaplain - Briefed the members and guests on the history of the Austintown High School Choir's support of veteran organizations.
- e. Finance - Commander reports current balance at \$ 3,445.78
- f. SAL - Absent

7. New and Unfinished Business:

- a. Canfield High School Juniors Carson Markley and Braxton Madison spoke to the members about their applications for nomination to Ohio Boys State.
 - (1) First Vice moved that the Post nominate both Markley and Madison as Post 177 representatives to Ohio Boys State.
 - (2) Frank Cavanaugh made the second and the motion passed unanimously.
- b. The Commander also advised that the Post has the authority to send additional students to both Boys and Girls State.
 - (1) Dominic Diloreto made a motion to authorize funds (at \$300 ea) for the Post to nominate an additional five (5) students to Boys and Girls State.
 - (2) Bernie Kosar offered the second and the motion passed unanimously.
- c. The Commander showed the members the 100% Membership Plaque the post received at the last 9th District Monthly Meeting.
- d. The Commander advised that the United Veterans Council Recognition Dinner and Awards Banquet will be held on 18 March 2016 at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Austintown. Tickets are \$25. Scotty Crawford was nominated by the Post for youth recognition.
- e. The Mahoning County Council of the American Legion will meet at the Canfield Township Hall on 03 February 2016 beginning at 7:00 PM. Members are encouraged to attend.
- f. Commander reported that the Post received a request for donation from the Ohio Special Olympics.
 - (1) First Vice made a motion that the Post provide a \$50 donation to the Special Olympics.
 - (2) Dominic Diloreto offered the second and the motion was passed unanimously.
- g. Frank Cavanaugh moved that the Post donate \$100 to the Austintown Fitch High School Choir to support their good work with veterans. Bernis Kosar second and the motion passed unanimously.
- h. The Commander also advised that the Post received a request for donation from the Military Veterans Resource Center. Dan Diorio volunteered to investigate the organization and report back at the next meeting. This is a practical approach for an organization that we know nothing about.

8. Next meeting will be held on **TUESDAY, 01 March 2016** beginning at 7:00 PM at the Canfield Township Hall.
9. POW Flag recovered by Bill Dominic Diloreto, closing prayer by the Chaplain, and the meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Char M. Coleman". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

CHARLES M. COLEMAN
First Vice Commander
Canfield American Legion Post 177