

🌟 Summary

The meeting focused on upcoming District 21 meetings, officer reports, and the establishment of new committees to enhance communication and funding strategies. Key decisions included raising beverage prices and approving the purchase of a new refrigerator for the kitchen. Additionally, discussions were held regarding guest policies for band members and planning for upcoming events, including Veterans Day and Modernism Week. The meeting also covered event planning, financial approvals, and facility improvements, with key decisions made regarding flag purchases and addressing potential legal issues. Updates were provided on restoration projects, t-shirt orders, and fundraising efforts, while also discussing the need for improved technology for member participation.

📄 Outline 9-3-24 E Board Meeting Convened 5:00 pm

1. Upcoming District Meetings •

The next District 21 meetings are scheduled for October 20th, December 8th, February 16th, April 13th, and May 18th.

Attendance is encouraged, and an email will be sent to all posts for potential attendance confirmation. (See List) - Guests - Steve Lapham

E Board East And Amado Salinas. (Motion to Accept The Minutes from Last Meeting Motion Passed)

2. Officer Reports and Kitchen Update •

Cmdr, Charley From Loco Charley's The kitchen will continue operations with hopes of expanding days in the future.

A plaque for R J has been delivered and will be mounted on the memorial wall with a ceremony planned.

A member was reported for aggressive behavior regarding membership checks, and a discussion will be held with him.

3. Beverage Price Adjustments •

The Day Time Bartender, Tony Resigned. Import draft prices will increase to \$5, and domestic drafts to \$4, to improve profit margins.

Soda prices will also rise to \$3 to support kitchen operations.

4. Football Season Plans •

The Direct TV NFL package will cost approximately \$2,000 for the season, with plans to promote it for increased bar and kitchen revenue.

A new commercial refrigerator will be purchased for \$750 from the VFW, pending delivery arrangements.

5. Communication and Funding Committees •

Guido - Transparency With Members, Constant Contact 1000 emails Cost \$50.00 A Month. Web Sight To Include -S A L,- A L R, & Auxiliary. A communications committee will be formed to enhance internal and external communication strategies. A Yearly Attorney Program For All American Legion Family's Was Proposed ?

A funding committee will be established to develop strategies for securing funding and grants for the post.

Both committees will report back monthly to the Commander for oversight.

6. Establishment of Committees •

Guido - A motion was made to formalize a Communications Committee, which was seconded and approved.(Motion Passed)

Guido - A Development Fundraising Committee was also proposed, seconded, and passed without discussion. (Motion Passed)

Volunteers for both committees will be sought in the next meeting agenda.

7. Guest Policy for Band Members •

There was a proposal to limit band members to one guest, which sparked debate about the fairness of this restriction.

Concerns were raised about displacing members due to excessive non-member guests during events.

A consensus to discuss a reasonable number of guests for band members was suggested.

8. Veterans Day Open House •

Ed - A proposal was made to hold an open house on Veterans Day to attract local veterans and promote membership.

The idea of using the event as a recruiting tool was emphasized, with suggestions for advertising and outreach.

It was clarified that only one open house per year is permitted by the ABC regulations.

9. Modernism Week Participation •

Lee - The possibility of hosting an open house during Modernism Week was discussed as a way to attract non-veterans and their friends.

Plans for a tent at the event were confirmed, with a call for volunteers to assist.

The importance of promoting the American Legion during this week was highlighted to increase visibility and membership.

10. Fundraising and Event Planning •

A fundraising initiative involving the purchase of flags for community events was proposed, with a budget of approximately \$900.00 For 4 Thousand Flags

Upcoming events, including karaoke and a potential concert featuring local bands, were discussed as opportunities for fundraising and community engagement.

The need for a catering license for events with ticket sales was mentioned to comply with ABC regulations.

11. Event Planning for Fever Dog •

Lee - Speaker 2 proposed organizing an event for Fever Dog through Eventbrite to attract attendees and generate revenue.

The plan includes utilizing a restored American Legion sign as a backdrop for social media visibility.

12. Flag Purchase Approval •

A motion was made and approved to purchase 4,000 flags for approximately \$900.
(Motion Passed)

- Speaker 0 will coordinate the purchase with Garth.

13. Open House and Veterans Day •

Speaker - Cmdr, emphasized the importance of opening on Veterans Day to honor local veterans.

Speaker 4 suggested considering February for a significant event during Modernism Week.

14. Financial Report Overview •

Garth - Speaker 4 reported a \$5,200 profit for the first two months of the fiscal year, compared to a \$13,000 loss last year.

Bar sales were down 28%, attributed to reduced hours and heat, while kitchen income showed improvement.

(Motion To Accept Finance Report Passed)

15. Legal Concerns •

Garth - Speaker 4 raised concerns about a potential lawsuit from - Juan a disgruntled Kitchen Lessee, Who Has Not Had A Contract For Over A Year. and suggested notifying the insurance company.

Speaker 0 agreed on the need for a letter to the insurance company, including details about unpaid dues from the kitchen operator. And The Details Of His Contract.

16. Jukebox Income Audit •

Garth - Speaker 4 conducted an audit of jukebox funding receipts over five years, noting fluctuations in income.

The group plans to reconcile their records with the local jukebox provider.

17. Facility Improvements •

Ed - Speaker 1 discussed ongoing renovations and improvements, including kitchen and electrical upgrades, with a contractor.

An itemized estimate is expected to facilitate funding applications for the project.

18. Restoration Projects •

Lee - A contractor will be meeting to discuss covering the parking lot and schools.

Solar panel parking is included in the restoration plans, which could solve existing issues.

19. T-Shirt Orders •

An order for 72 t-shirts has been placed, split between black and navy blue.

The selling price is proposed to be \$18 to cover taxes and avoid change.

20. Kitchen Improvements •

Cmdr, The kitchen staff is improving, with only a few complaints reported.

A suggestion box will be set up to gather feedback from members regarding food preferences.

21. Fundraising and Events •

Cmdr, Labor Day was successful, generating significant revenue.

Upcoming events include Patriot's Day and Veterans Day, with a fundraiser scheduled for the 28th. The S A L Donated Money For Electrical Repairs, A/C Repairs, And Also Purchased 50 New Bar Stools. It Is Unbelievable How Well Our Legion Family Works Together!!

22. Support for Veterans •

Amado - A link will be shared to help veterans contact Congress regarding important bills affecting them.

The communication committee will assist in disseminating this information to members.

23. Technology for Meetings •

James Snow - I'm On The Road Filming A Documentary, A proposal was made to implement video conferencing for board members unable to attend meetings.

Equipment will be provided to facilitate remote participation and enhance communication.

24. Funeral Procession for WWII Veteran •

Ed - A funeral procession for a WWII veteran will be escorted by Steve Lapham And the Legion Riders From Banning, And The Color Guard on Friday At The Cemetery

Members are encouraged to attend and show support for the veteran's service. Meeting Adjourned 6:34 pm