

American Legion Post 519

General Membership Meeting – 2/10/26 time : 5:05

Part 1. (part 2 is going over by laws)

PALM SPRINGS

JOHN PICKEN

Opening Ceremony PHONES OFF

One rap of the gavel ...

The meeting is about to open.

The officers will take their stations.

Sergeant-at-Arms, please clear the hall entrance and close the doors

· Three raps of the gavel ...

PLEASE stand and face our Nation's flag Hand Salute! ... 2!

Un-cover ... from the opening prayer through the POW/MIA ceremony

Chaplain, please offer an opening prayer.

CHAPLAIN

Our heavenly Father, once again, we meet as the American Legion veterans of our nation's great wars, our organization goes back over 100 years. During that time, we have stood for God and country. We have worked to promote Americanism and programs for veterans. We have been concerned for our local communities and for the youth of our nation. God is God in our deliberations this evening, keep us alert to our opportunities and responsibilities as citizens. Make us deserve. Make us deserving of our freedom handed down to our generation by those who sacrificed so much in the past. God bless us all. Amen.

JOHN PICKEN

Sergeant-at-Arms only, re-cover. Sergeant-at-Arms, prepare to place the POW/MIA cover on the Empty Chair Resolution 288, adopted at the 67th National Convention, encourages all American Legion organizations to implement the Empty Chair Ceremony at all meetings. As a continual physical symbol of the POW/MIAs and the cause for which we stand, namely their return or full accounting.

A POW/MIA Empty Chair is placed at all official meetings of The American Legion, as a physical symbol of the thousands of American POW/MIAs still unaccounted for from all wars and conflicts involving the United States of America. This is a reminder for all of us to spare no effort to secure the release of any American prisoners from captivity, the repatriation of the remains of those who died bravely in defense of liberty, and a full accounting of those missing. Let us rededicate ourselves for this vital endeavor!

Sergeant-at-Arms, place the POW/MIA flag on the Empty Chair.

Sergeant-at-Arms only, un-cover

Please face the flag and join me in the 'Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag'.

EVERYONE

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

JOHN PICKEN

re-cover please. Remain Standing.

Please join me in reciting the preamble of the Constitution of The American Legion, slowly and in unison.

EVERYONE

For God and Country,

we associate ourselves together

for the following purposes:

to uphold and defend

the Constitution of the United States of America;

to maintain law and order;

to foster and perpetuate

a one hundred percent Americanism;

to preserve the memories and incidents

of our associations in all Wars

to inculcate a sense of individual obligation
to the community, state and nation;
to combat the autocracy
of both the classes and the masses;
to make right the master of might;
to promote peace and good will on earth;
to safeguard and transmit to posterity
the principles of Justice, Freedom and Democracy;
to consecrate and sanctify our comradeship
by our devotion to mutual helpfulness.

One rap of the gavel ... Please be seated

I now declare this meeting of American Legion Post 519, Department of
California, General Membership Meeting convened > roll call. Adjutant

ALLEN LANE

Commander – John Picken	Present
Adjutant – Allen Lane {stand in}	Present
Assistant Adjutant – Ernie Meeker	Present
1st Vice Commander – Ernie Meeker	Present
2nd Vice Commander – Lee Wilson	Running late
3rd Vice Commander – Kevin KOCH	Present
Finance Officer – Garth Gilpin	Present
Chaplain – McCarvie Crawford	Present
Service Officer – Allen Lane	Present
Judge Advocate-- Skip Burt.	Present
Sergeant at Arms – Jeff Cole	Excused

Historian – James Snow	Present
E-Board 1st Year – Mike Beresh	Present
E-Board 2nd Year – Doug Cron	Excused
E-Board 3rd Year – Ron Webster	Absent
E-Board 3rd Year – Rusanne Anthony	Present

Quorum Confirmed. Commander. . .

John Picken

Thank you very much. Like to welcome back skip bird as our judge advocate.

Upcoming District, 21 meetings. March, 15. Post 53 at Hemet.

May 17. Post 852, in Temecula, as usual, the meeting times our salaries are eight o'clock. PCC is at nine o'clock, and the American Legion is at 10 o'clock. Also coming up in June, will be our department convention in Visalia, June, 25 through the 28th as a reminder ritual, when a member is requesting time on the floor, raise your hand and please stand after being recognized by the chair, you'll state your name. Salute the chair if requested to come to the podium, you will be escorted by the sergeant of arms. Please sue the flag before passing at this time, Sergeant arms, would you introduce our distinguished guests? We have four we have Kielely Hayes willing to do a presentation for us. We have Amado Salinas from District. We have Andrew Lane from District. We have Albert Martinez. Would you present kitty to the podium? Please? Good.

Kielely Hayes

Thank you. You're very gracious. I'm used to second graders. They don't do that.

My name is Kitty Kielely Hayes. My family has had 88 years of association with this post. My grandfather is Owen Earl Kaufman, a World War veteran who, along with his brother George Roberson, were founders of this post. My grandfather was the first commander my father was in the United States Army Air Corps in World War Two. And his picture is above the door when you come in here. He's Barbara Thomas Kylie Jr, my uncle.

He's Allen Bayless Coffman, for whom the post is named. And February 1 is a very special day in our family. It's his birthday. So this year he would have been 106 years old. And I just brought previously today. This is the flag that was on his coffin. He is buried in the American military cemetery in Cambridge, England. And after the war, my grandparents decided that he should stay there with his following comrades. So when we go to England, we honor him there. And all of you honor him by all that you do. So with several of you. Happy birthday, Uncle Owen and peace to all of you, may your meeting go Well today. Thank you.

John Picken

Thank you, kitty. We appreciate you; couple announcements. First of all, I'm going to read a little piece of correspondence, and Garth will expound upon this later. This is from people helping people. USA,

January 13, 2026, to the American Legion Post 519, enclosed, please find a donation of \$5,000 to your organization in recognition for the outstanding help and services you provide to our community. Funds are restricted to the for the benefit of Coachella Valley residents. May be used as matching funds.

And he says, Please provide us with a receipt for contribution which God is going to take care of.

Sincerely. Louis de Silva, executive director of people helping people USA as a great contribution, \$5,000

Garth will distribute as needed. And would you make a copy of that for the adjutant? Thank you. The other thing is, there's a possibility. We haven't confirmed it yet, but national is now charging \$43.50 for each member. Renewal used to be 35 we just raised our dues 65 last year. We may have to revisit that in. Near future. We'll let you guys know as it goes along.

Okay, minutes are available on the website.

I need a motion to approve minutes.

Amado

I'll make the motion to approve the minutes.

John Picken

Amado makes a motion to approve. I need a second. James makes a second. Any discussion on the minutes? All in favor, aye, any opposed passes. Thank you. We'll go into our office's reports. Commander does not have a report at this time. Adjutant, do you have a report for us?

ALLEN LANE

Nothing to report, sir.

JOHN PICKEN

Thank you. First Vice Commander, Meeker,

ERNIE MEEKER

nothing to report at this time, sir.

JOHN PICKEN

Second Vice is not here yet. Third vice commander, Kevin Koch,

KEVIN KOCH

I have a lot to report this time, which is kind of unusual. First Officer, my apologies for not making the executive board meeting. I had to work that evening with the school district. I helped with the baseball fundraiser in January. I'll let them address it. We did quite well, I believe, and it was a success under my own Bella Wick, or what I'm responsible for, boys, girls, state is the first thing on our plate. They downsize the number going in the state due to remodeling on the campus in Sacramento, where it's held. Each post was allotted to individuals, and I said we were willing to do more, even a lot more, if other posts weren't able to so just yesterday, I heard from Tim Moore in Perris. We've been assigned five which I can fill from five different high schools. We will get them a check for \$5,000 this week. We got 4000 refunded last year. We raised about 800 with the fundraiser this past week, I am, even though we're going to spend 5000 this week, I am going to address the suns.

Last year they wanted to pay for one, if they're willing to pay for 1000 then we will take that back and recoup I'm asking for an additional \$2,000 the students normally in the past, got a cash stipend to be up there for the whole week, and I would like to award each of the five students \$200 so it would be \$1,000 additional. Some of them come from families that are quite poor and to be in Sacramento. The other thing is, we were caught. Two years ago, an individual put all of his stuff in a trash bag because he didn't have any luggage. And normally the nice bus, the bus driver's check, but since it was a trash bag, and all of his belongings and tech were thrown out, so I had a FedEx at about \$1,000 cost replacements up to him. He was embarrassed, so the idea came, we should get a bag for everybody. And then it came up, we shouldn't get the cheaper ones that are foreign made. We should actually get a nice American made bag with our emblem sewn on. So now, and I concur with that. So the cost

actually for a decent duffel, American made, heavy duty kind of with the is about with the sewing and all that comes to almost 200 a piece. So that would be an additional 1000. So besides the 5000 I'm asking for an additional 2000 so I would like us to vote on that. I would like to put forward for a vote.

JOHN PICKEN

Are you making that as a motion? Yes. I'll need a second, please.

ALLEN LANE

Yes, I will second that.

John Picken

He got it first, any discussion, yes, yes.

Jesse Tejada

I want to see why we're spending this amount of money on kids when we should be spending this amount of money on veterans that need help. So I oppose it. I don't think we should do it. I think we should focus the monies that we have in this region to help veterans, brothers and sisters that suffer from PTSD.

JOHN PICKEN

Okay. McCarthy, Can we continue with the meeting? Just, to clarify, I think Kevin will clarify this. There is a place for us to take care of children, part of our four pillars. Okay, would you like to expound on that?

KEVIN KOCH 17:56

The American Legion is founded on four pillars and service to the community and our children are our future. And I think it's very important I do not diminish the fact of very important what we do taking care of service and we need to do that our service officers and that are critical to what we do in taking care of PTSD. So I'm not diminishing that. I think we need to do both, and I think we have the funds to do both now. We are one of the more successful, and we have good programs, and we have done fundraising in the name of boys and girls state, or in the name of youth programs or baseball.

JOHN PICKEN

Okay, so I would like to proceed with, we have motion before discussion, we have. We have a second. We had discussion, Maggie. Go ahead.

Maggie

Thank you. I'm Maggie, rival Margaret.

Unknown 18:53

You got it, boss.

Maggie 13 18:57

So I own a bag company, travel gear company, and honestly, to give some kids \$200 bags, which I raised two kids, and I know that at that age I don't know how responsible they are, I would hate to give a child a \$200 bag that will last a lifetime, that in all Reality, they could lose. I could donate five duffel bags for this, so that we can save the 1000 bucks for doing, you know, some good stuff. \$1,000 was just a cap, throwing it out there, because what I saw was about 150 160 was sewing in

the patch, if we can. I mean, it doesn't have to be American, and is donations. I love donations. I mean, all four, they're made in Cambodia. They're not made in China. And they're, you know, they're good quality. And I think that these, these would be sufficient. I would ask. The Legion paid for the logo being put on there, sure, and we could do a tax form for you. Perfect, donated tax deductibles, yeah, as long as you're aware what they are. So, yeah, 22 weeks, no, perfect.

JOHN PICKEN 20:16

Thank you, Andrew. Thank you,

Andrew

My name is Andrew for the duffel bags. Were they be? Are they something that it would be we would keep possession of and just loan out, while that would not be my intent go ahead

Allen Lane

as someone who was that child with no equipment, that would be greatly appreciated, because it means a lot to be part of the crowd.

Unknown 20:50

Question three, Time on the sewing, is that going to be their name on there? We could, I haven't thought of that, but Well, I think we'll be good that way. They'll lose it if they're all the same bags.

speaker

Yeah, you know, maybe they're being donated. We could cut a deal with Samuel or one of the drivers, and I would put it inside the bag, though, because we don't want weirdos seeing a kid's name on the outside of the bag. We do.

JOHN PICKEN

Well, maybe, maybe I use blue tape for my luggage when I go,

Maggie

Yeah, no, I think let's put their name on it that way there's no issue whatsoever. But I would ask for you guys to do that.

John Picken

There's local places. Okay, so do we? Would you like to modify your motion.

Kevin Koch

So we have the funds, the \$5000 for Boys Girls State, our five candidates to be reimbursed if sons or someone want to pick up one of the candidates, as in the past, I would also like to ask then that we have \$200 spending money per student, which would be 1000 and in the past, we do up one of our polo shirts and then the bag, whatever sewing or the patch, which shouldn't be excessive.

Unknown

Anybody else have anything?

Speaker 13 22:20

I have a question, yes, ma'am, so I'm going to donate the bags, and you're going to give the kids 200 bucks.

Kevin 8 22:28

Well it doesn't have to be 200; in the past, we gave them cash. They do go out for a night. Some of the kids don't have money. They don't go out because with the group, they don't to the restaurant. They've won this Brian card in the past, and I respect Brian, but he said, you know, let's give him a book. Well, I'm an eighth grade teacher. Kids don't even touch a book anymore. So right with the con, you know, the technology? Yes, I think it would be, no, it doesn't have to be 200 as it was, we can cut it down and pull the shirt money out of that. It can be 100 per student.

JOHN PICKEN 23:07

It's open for discussion.

KEVIN 1 23:09

Okay, right now, the plan is \$200 but you need the bags donated, and they're \$60 bags, 50. Well, let's take it to 60. So we have 140 to play with. 80 for dinner, \$100 plus the shirt. I don't know, because they got to take stuff to go the one kid we sent 12 kids, 12 family members were in a mobile home.

JOHN PICKEN 1 23:40

I'll get you guys in just a second.

SPEAKER

I have another comment. Is it possible that the chaperone could have that money for the meals, etc, and dole it out as necessary?

Kevin Koch

Negative, there is a bus chaperone, and this year we're looking at two, a male and female. They just go up on the bus and come back. Then there are counselors there, but we don't have access to that. Comments. In the past, it's three nights. Average is about 35 and \$40 that they wind up spending for dinners three nights. That's 120 right there, as far as that is concerned. And maybe instead of cash, we give them debit cards, or what do you call those prepaid cards? Prepaid card, that way they can't lose it, they've got it, versus money being lost.

Andrew

I just wanted to comment on the money on the for the per diem, or I get, or however you want to call it, when it comes to restaurant costs, they have skyrocketed a lot. I've noticed it as someone who's not able to get eat out as much as I want to. So we might not be able to cut it down this year. Agreed.

John Picken

So we have a motion on the floor, but I. For \$200 per person, plus the bags, plus the bags. And out of that, 200 would come the Polo, or we'll get them donated, yeah, and they in the patch, the patches, or whatever patch embroidery patches we have to buy from the district, the state, okay.

Yeah, any other discussion? All in favor?

Any opposed? Would you two get together and talk about the value stuff, please?

KEVIN KOCH

After the meeting next and after all this tonight, in the past, we did this once before, and I think it is important, and I think it is a recruiting effort. Being an eighth grade, middle school teacher, the subject a lot of these kids do the worst in is American history. They don't identify with it. Science is cool. I need math. I have to speak English. What's history? And in the past, we went to the middle schools

and gave the top American history students a certificate and a \$100 cash reward, having fund raised a lot and getting money back 4000 from last year. There are five middle schools in our district. They have honor ceremonies. Kiwanis and other groups are there. I think it would be great to have Legion members be visible to the 1000 parents there, or whatever, and the best American History student get an award. Unfortunately, most of the middle schools there are two English, I mean, two history classes. So they would have to decide if we only wanted to do 100 for each of the five schools, or we could do 200 and both top students at each school get it. I'm open to suggestions. I think it's a good idea. PR, American history is important in our four pillars. I think it's something we can do for our community, and I think it's a great recruiting tool, being visible to the community, open search for discussion.

John Picken

Were you making a motion there?

Kevin Koch

I would like to make a motion. I can amend it for the five middle schools each, the two top students get \$100 each with a certificate. And it'll be, usually during school, I can't make it that I would ask Legion members to go and present the certificates and the cash

Jon Picken

motion made second, I'll second it Allen seconds discussion.

Maggie

I was just gonna say, I could donate backpacks to the winners too. I have some great book packs that had to be happy. Great idea. So a lot of kids that can't quite afford new packs, or I donate a lot to the kids. Yeah.

Speaker

I mean, if these kids are excelling academically, I would love to help them. So in fact, if I can just I'm dealing with some issues, I don't know how long I can stay. Thank you.

Kevin Koch

There's my card. Thank you, Maggie. If you guys do this, get us a total on what the cost. Total cost is, we'll have a tax letter written, okay, for your stuff once we coordinate. Yeah, the schools plan mature early. So that's why I have to bring this up now, because they're already planning for the end of the school year in June.

John Picken

So let's go back \$100 per student for \$1,000 total, and that covers all five middle schools, hula Vista, Raymond Cree, James Workman, Desert Springs, middle school, peanut hills, middle school, any other discussion?

And let's hear from Garth that we can afford this?

I question, I just want to know Garth, this is something we can afford. Can we afford this?

Garth

Currently, membership account pays for community involvement. We have \$35,700 in it.

John Picken

So we're looking for suggestions for next year to spend some of this money back into the community. First time in 10 years I've been associated with a post we've had any money for this stature to get back into the community. So it's time we start looking at many programs. Any suggestion to welcome Bruce Lane and I are putting together budget that will probably have been for the June meeting to spend some of this money on new programs and existing programs.

Unknown Speaker

Thank you.

John Picken

Any other discussion? All in favor? Aye. Aye, any opposed motion passes next we in the past, we sponsored Girl Scouts and scouting America a troop and a pack. This year, surprisingly, neither have asked us for money. I would almost like to give them a token amount to say, We sponsor you. So in the past, we've given the Girl Scouts with the auxiliary over \$1,000 we've given the Boy Scouts and paid 500 this year, their costs were 300 I don't know, a token amount, \$100 each, just to say we helped out. I don't know. I'm open to thoughts. Are you making a motion?

Speaker

I would like to make a motion that we give the Girl Scout Troop at James Workman, which we've sponsored heavily in the past and is quite large now, they're mugging me at Walmart for Girl Scout cookies.

Unknown

And Thin Mints.

Speaker

So I make a recommendation. We give both organizations \$100 each as their annual donation from it.

John Picken

Okay? I have a motion on the floor for \$100 per troop. I need a second. Andrew, seconds. Any other discussion? Allen favor, any opposed, also, kind of on a sad note, after almost for the full history of the Boy Scouts, which is now scouting America, it was announced today that I read at the national news that the US military will no longer be a partner and support support the Scouts because they believe they're too liberal.

Speaker

so the partnership where they support in the past is going to stop, according to the secretary. Now. Lastly, good news, I've been blessed and honored, along with Albert's wife there, we have a tuition scholarship fund that's separate money, but it's under 519 and there are trustees that dutifully put in a lot of work. And under these scholarships, college students are paid for and looked at every year, and that money has grown to over a million dollars, and we have a lot of kids in college and showing you how the economy is just since in one month, we made over 60,000 just in interest.

Speaker

So that's how the stock market's doing. But I have talked to them, and they misunderstood me about giving plaques to the students. They don't care about them. They care about the money. I was here for a long time, and really wasn't aware we did this. And in the past, we asked Berger foundation for a donation, and they stated we didn't do enough for the community, so I think it'd be great, and they

love it. We're going to be redoing the board and putting how many students we've actually taken care of in all these years and what we've done for the community. So just wanted to bring that up. That's all, sir. Thank you for tonight.

JOHN PICKEN 1 33:24

All right. Industrial motions passed.
Service Officer lane, anything for us?

ALLEN LANE

Nothing to Report, sir,

JOHN PICKEN

thank you.
Finance officer Gilpin,

Garth 17 33:37

have a two issues to pass out. One of the month of January's Income Statement profit and loss, and the other is the financial statement from a bank as of the first day of the month.

JOHN PICKEN 33:55

The Executive Board has seen that. So you can pass these around. Thank you.

Garth 34:08

Please also be online. First month, we had \$126,000 to bank. We've got an additional \$5,000 to add. On top of that, the various areas. Of bar has 27,000 membership 35 as I discussed building, we have 43,000 Color Guard has 5000 baseball has 8800 riders have 4700 so we're in really good financial shape considering the past that we've been in the in in addition on the financial statements, which we'll discuss in a second, the modernism committee gave us to check for 100 tickets at two \$200 a piece, plus we sold, I think. Eight or nine locally. So total just under \$23,000 that money was sent, was received this month and has been sent to pay off the SBA bank loan that we took during covid. There's a balance of approximately \$3,000 left to be paid. We'll pay that out this year at \$300 per month, so that will clear our balance sheet, so that we will have no no no doubt at all at the post Scott grassers Memorial, we've raised \$347 in donations. The Post has agreed to pay up to \$800 so the amount below on that will be roughly \$750 Albert Martinez has ordered the plaque, and so we'll be, instead of paying \$800 we'll be down in the \$400 lane for the post. I have a we'll talk about measure J now, just everything else.

JOHN PICKEN 1 36:07

I'm sorry. According as Garth just said, we have 400 plus dollars for the plaque, but we're open to more donations from you guys. Yeah, okay, 2030, 10, whatever you want to give to our past commander who passed away,

JOHN PICKEN 36:26

just see guards. Thank you. Sorry,

GARTH 17 36:29

measure J. I'm really getting frustrated with him. I think everybody here knows basically what it's about. They agreed to give us \$255,000.02 weeks ago, I sent them all the final insurance requirements, which basically required subrogation on all policies, workers comp, liability, everything. They sent us to the procurement department for final review. And I called the lady today, measure J

and asked her the status, and I had not received a phone call back several of our vendors. The one in particular that concerns me is our kitchen supplier. He has got equipment basically ordered, and he needs some money. I money. his total bill is \$25,000 I not going to ask for put up a motion for that. I'd like to put up a motion that we take of our \$43,000 in building. We take \$10,000 of that money to work on Measure. J, maintaining the possession of kitchen equipment that we have to have for a May, June kitchen rebuild.
I'd like to make that motion.

JOHN PICKEN

got a motion on the floor to take \$10,000 out of our building fund. Second, Kevin, seconds.
Any discussion Rusanne,

Rusanne

retain the kitchen. Does that \$10,000 retain

Garth

comes back soon as major J comes in, it will come back to the post.

JOHN 1 38:15

I think what she's asking though, is, what do we get? Is it just retaining him as our knowledge in person? Are we buying?
He needs down payment to hold us.

Rusanne

I kind of have a, you know, the measure J thing, we all know it was coming down the pike, but I have this, and I've been to one of the meetings, but there hasn't really been any discussion about, you know, hiring. Who do we have quotes from vendors? We have approval for vendors. We have approval from vendors? Yes. Measure J has already approved the kitchen.
It's measure j that has to approve the vendors.

JOHN 38:52

We sent them a listing of vendors.

Garth 17 38:53

Yeah, okay. We sent in quotes who are original thing. They looked at them. They contract that came back included those quotes as part of the contract, okay?

Speaker 18 39:03

Because I know, I mean, I seen them, the proposal and, and, you know, the allocation of money, and I was wondering if there was competitive bids, like for plumbing, for instance, the kitchen bid has was included in the contract. The re the office rework was included in the contract. There was a number which I pulled out of midair for roof, air conditioning, electrical they have those numbers. And when we go out to get firm bids, we will get two, minimum of two quotes.

Rusanne 18 39:46

That's what I'm asking. That's what I'm asking. You know, are we? Because I know they did a listing. I think there was like 50,000 allocated for plumbing, and I'm wondering if there was other plumbers bid on that. I know Kevin was looking at. The electrical side of the house, and I hadn't seen anything reporting of like this is what we're looking at and services and bids to get this job done.

John Picken 17 40:11

That's all I'm asking. The everything that was not included in the original contract, the ones I just mentioned, we will get a minimum two bids.

Rusanne 40:20

Okay? That's honestly, that's all I want to hear. That's important.

Unknown 40:26

I sent a letter to them.

Garth 17 40:30

Bids will include prevailing wage or include subrogated insurance. All that's been forwarded to the measure J committee.

Rusanne 18 40:39

We're just waiting. I think everybody on this end is kind of like, what's going on? I don't know about you guys, but I get asked all the time, what's going on with a hole in the men's room or or air conditioning this? And I'm like, I just toss up my hands because I don't know

Garth

the major J The Progress will be the kitchen in May, June, we'll get the offices reworked. We have the approval for money on that for and the contractor, he has an architect we're working with. We have to go to the city to get permits on everything we do city money. So we don't want to do something and have the city so we didn't approve it. The next step, once we start getting the money, will be to get bids on air conditioning.

Rusanne 41:28

Okay, that's, that's, that was my question. Was different passes the air conditioning, according to goes in prior to the roof.

GARTH

Okay, so the roof will seal around the new air conditioning units to prevent leaks. You have put the roof on and have the air conditioning

RUSANNE

well, you answered my question. So thank you.

JOHN PICKEN

So anyway, that's motion on the floor. Have a motion on the floor the \$10,000 out of a building fund. Is there any other discussion? All in favor.

Thank you. Any opposed motion passes the profit and loss statement, which you're looking at, will be on the website tomorrow, the year end statement. Is there still reconciliation due to the hack?

Garth

When we were hacked back in November, Rusanne and I are working on that wrap up the year end, no major changes from what you've seen. The profit and loss statement. We lost a few bucks in the bar area in January, we prepaid the property insurance. For the for the years were paid 100% on that. We paid the some insurance. Paid the QuickBooks. So there's one time heavy duty charges that came into event, to the month of January, then the other side of it, the donations page, we are doing

really well. We got some more money from Robert Johnson's estate with another \$1,400 and the donations are up significantly from prior years. And just you know, I have to say, thanks for all the work everybody does. And it's, it's the lifeline of our post. We take that money, we go back to community, and that's what we're here for. So thanks everybody for your help. Thank you.

Unknown 43:37

Anything else we voted on it. We're good there.

JOHN PICKEN 1 43:41

So moving right along. Thank you very much. Judge Advocate. Burke, you have anything for us, sir? Judge Advocate, might have to leave just so you guys know, Chaplain, you have anything for us, sir?

Chaplain

Yes, Commander, I have a baseball report. First of all, we don't have any baseball teams. We don't We can't afford them. They're way too expensive. It would cost us \$54,000 for four weeks, six week season, and we may not go any further than that. So this has been going on for a couple of years. We haven't been able to raise the funds. Okay? So what I'm going to do this year, instead of trying to put together a baseball team of 14 to 19 year olds, we're going to start at like T ball age. And so my assistant, Danny, and I have looked into a guy. He has a program that takes some he's been doing it on his own. He takes some one week, I mean, one day a week for an hour, charges the parents X amount of money. And apparently he's lived down in Palm Desert. We've interviewed him, we've talked to him. So we just need to find out basically, what his program is. Is okay. And instead of a team with 1617, 18 players, or two teams with that same amount, we're looking at doing maybe 50 kids in a month's time. And he thinks he's going to be able to pull that off, I think he will be. Will soon find out. He's going to give me all the information that I need. Number one, all we're into it as American Legion baseball is T shirts. I already have t shirts. I have patches that have our 100 year anniversary on them. So all I need, I'm going to be spending money on is possibly gloves and hats and shoes, but I'll be working on the donation. So at this point in time, the money that we have, we should be able to do a program, if nothing else, for four weeks for 50 kids this year, as opposed to only reaching out to 17 to 34 kids and not getting our bang work. Because we do need the publicity. We do need. Part of our four pillars is that we reach out into the community. Well, if we don't have a baseball team that we need to reach out somewhere else, we just can't sit on that money and do nothing. Okay?

And so we're going to be, I'll let you know the next meeting, how far we've gotten along so far, everything is good. As far as background checks, we're going to use USA baseball, which is one of the the background companies we use for our regular American Legion baseball. And so we're going to really specify that everybody needs to have a background check. Other than that, we have no legal obligation. We're just donating hats, shirts, baseballs, bats and shoes. We have no obligation to provide transportation or anything. We're also, I'll be working with the city. The guy, his name is Jeremy. Jeremy has contacts in Palm Desert. American Legion has contacts here locally with the city, so we should be able to arrange our own field. In other words, we won't be paying for baseball fields and umpires, which will killing us at like \$500 just to get a team on the field with umpires in the field. So basically what I'm saying, hopefully this program will work out. I'm sure it will. He thinks he can bring in 50. And if it goes well, we want to continue to do it. Hopefully next year we'll be able to go up. What we're trying to do is start a feeder team for our American Legion baseball, because the only team Riverside County has district 21 is Lake Elsinore. And last year, you know, I represent our district. So last year, district 21 had not only a CIF champ, but they went to the state playoffs. So we don't have the money for that. Lake Elsinore has the money for that. Okay, so that's where we're at. I think we're doing well. We don't really need any money from the post right now. We're going to be doing some other events to raise our own money.

John Picken

Thank you, sir. Appreciate it.

Anybody have any comments or questions about the baseball Good job. There we go. All right. E board one Beresh, Sir, you don't want to talk about your repairs of the toilet, of the bathroom, temporarily fixed.

E board 2 year Doug Cron, excused. E, board three, Anthony got anything for us?

Ma'am. E, board three, Webster is not here. Last but not least, historians know, welcome back to town.

James Snow

Thank you. First off, I want to apologize everyone again for I feel professionally embarrassed the way I acted out against Jesse. I never do stuff like that, really, ever in my life. So I just let my emotion get to me. So please accept my apologies. I will never respond to someone acting like that ever again in our meetings, right or anywhere else. So that's that's my word. I will never do that again. The only thing I have, I don't have anything, as far as historian wise or communication wise, just got back in town, obviously mentioned. The one thing I do want to bring up is when I mentioned to you last week, as far as Norma and her her husband, Larry, passed away. He was the gentleman used to help me fill my document interview the veterans on stage for my documentary. His dad was in the art Air Force. He was in the Marine Corps, and so she has a flag. She wanted to just donate it to the post. And I'm like, you can't just give that to the post. You should do something with that. So I actually made the suggestion to her we could possibly plan and we did. We vote on this a lot. Although actually, but it was just to put the flag up on the pose and bring it back down. So she's requesting if we can have, well, she just wants to have a little, small, little ceremony. No one here. The post needs to be here. I'll be here for just she wants to have a bag Piper here, just to play like the National Anthem as we put the flag up and just fly on a flag for like the week and then bring it down. The only thing in the military we do, the military we do that your flag is flowing at this location. You print on a certificate, you bid that certificate to the flag, and it's something that you will because that flag was given to carry from his dad. His dad passed away. You know, he served, like, World War Two and all that stuff. So I have the flag, and so March 3, we'll come in on the tent. Have a little smaller ceremony, maybe some like I mentioned. She said I wanted to ask about I'm bringing up now because I don't know. I want to make sure that we stay within, you know, regulations, or whatever you know, for this. So she said she wanted to bring, like, maybe some small refreshments, maybe something outside, though, nothing inside. Like 20 mil little ceremony, raise the flag, let it fly for about a week, and then I'll bring it back down. Do we have a bag Piper? No, she has one. She has one. She has a bag Piper.

Speaker 12 51:11

Yeah, just and she did mention it Color Guard. The color guard can be present, if not just a bag Piper.

Speaker 1 51:19

I believe we have the captain of the color guard right next to you guys can talk

Speaker 12 51:23

March 3. March 3 on the 10th or 10am I'll check it out for you very appreciate it. Say the name again for the ceremony. The family's name, his name is Carrie Marcus. His wife's name is Norma, but he passed away. I mean, a year mark. We're doing March 3 because he passed away March 3 of last year, and so but he's really great guy. He wanted to be his sons here, but he never fell work before he passed away. So I kind of hope this is a community service. So I think it's a great idea, merch service. It's a during the week. It's hard to go over Tuesday. Actually, it's the first Tuesday that will be our meeting, our executive board meeting. I'll talk to you later. Okay, appreciate other net.

That's all I really have. I like the motion, and I don't think is that something we have to put a motion or I think emotion will be good. Yeah, put a motion to raise the flag up on the third and have a small little ceremony at 10am on 10am on Tuesday, the server for Carrie Marcus, his dad's flag that we can fly in the post.

John PICKEN 52:30

We have a motion.

We have a second. That motion. Hang on one second. We have a motion. We have a second. Any discussion?

Unknown 52:38

No, I was a second.

JOHN PICKEN 52:43

There Any other discussion? All in favor?

Any opposed? So be it March 3, 10am please keep me informed as to stuff, and I'll make sure that I am present for that, if I can be. Thank you. I was remiss in saying we were done.

Second Vice Commander Wilson, you had a report for us. Came in late. So Okay, we're done.

Lee Wilson

Speaking of flags, I get the weirdest phone calls sometimes an acquaintance of mine called, and there's a flag in front of castanedas Indian, and it's Tore to shreds. Do we have, like, an active Legion thing, like we just take the initiative, go up, say, Hey, can I speak to your manager? Your flag looks like hell. Or can we go and offer to give them a flag, for example, but it's kind of how they grab it a little bit too high. Who's this Castaneda restaurant. It's just north of Ramona, and the flag is really pouring what size?

Unknown

Excuse me, what size flag is it? I don't know if it's four by six or three or five.

Speaker 1 54:13

If you can find out, let me know, because I have a supply of flag.

LEE WILSON 19 54:19

Continuing, program. All right, since January, we've already collected 500 bucks from village fest. Terry Johnson, I that's pretty good, and being a village test. Terry Johnson, I do a lot of work with village fest. It would really, really be nice. We really need the help, because we've been doing this for years now, and everybody in this room is totally welcome to join us and promote the post. Help set up, help stare down, or just man the tent and pass out flags to kids. But Terry and I could really use some help. Chamber of Commerce rock the park series. It's going really well. Yeah, guys have not seen that? You're missing out. There's really, really, really. Cool Mars concert last night, 2000 people on the audience last week, and because we're partial sponsors, we get stage time and we get great product placement. Come and see for yourself. We get stage time before the show, and our tents right behind the stage, people taking photos. It's great publicity. I signed up for at least it passed out three applications that night along those terms. We when you make your announcements at that concert, please be a little more specific. We've had a number of people coming into this post who were not affiliated with any veterans, or they were Canadian, American, Canadian Legion members, and they took you at your word. Did they come in here and sign in and they could have a cocktail. I didn't say that, but I'm just saying this is what happened. It happened today. Had four people come in. I actually took pity on them. I said, Okay, you're my good friends. I'm gonna sign you in just one time.

We got to not get caught doing that, so we need to make sure we I mean, they did. They walked all the way here. So it felt really bad. But the other day, we had another couple come in. The same thing. They understood. They took off. They weren't Canadian Legion members. They they weren't one of them would have been a son if they signed up, but they didn't. Thank you. Thanks, sir, and I appreciate you spreading the word, getting people in here next karaoke Saturday mark, February, 28

Freeman's can't do anything for the month of March, so I'm kind of talking with them that I might do it myself. I mean, what can go wrong? You know, it's kind of fun. Check it out. Be running it. So I might do it on the 28th of March, I'm still talking to Freeman so they can bring their might get their guest list, and you know that would work. I've been invited to speak at the jack museum on Saturday, March 14, my palm street fallen heroes project. You see my display out there by the swinging door. I do banners, but it's quite an honor to be speaking on behalf of falling heroes, and I'm trying to get gold star families to show up, perhaps the ALR, so we give them escort, and anybody here is welcome to come, but I don't think I can get a discount or anything that is kind of cool, and I might have the color guard even being a part of it. This was the last minute thing I noticed we hadn't done a St Patrick's event, and so I spoke with the commander the other day, like, Should we do something? And I'm gonna need to make a motion if we do St Patrick's Day, it's normally on Tuesday, 17th, but we're gonna do it on the 14th. Is Saturday. Make it pot luck, and I can get us a band for \$300 the vintage people, they're kind of fun, they're cool. We can dance to them. And so I want to go with that. So I need to make a motion to approve \$300 to hire the vintage people for a St Patrick's Day party Saturday March 14, starting at five o'clock. Motion for \$300

JOHN PICKEN 1 57:53

Mike beresh, second, second. Any discussion? All in favor? Any opposed?

Speaker 19 58:04

The sons are going to be doing an Italian night. It's on there 20 bucks or tickets, food and three different musicians playing. We're going to do Mother's Day, Memorial Day. We got Roger and the most rebels. Did we decide yet on how we're going to do food? Is the auxiliary going to cook. The sun's going to cook.

Speaker 1 58:21

From you just have the kitchen open for the Italian night, no for Memorial. Oh, you mean the easiest thing is just to have the kitchen. But if somebody wants to make money baseball.

Unknown 58:35

ALR, well, here's what, excuse me.

JOHN PICKEN 1 58:41

Thank you, if I may, when the sun wanted to do a memorial day, cook off burger cook off. But when they found out we'd already had the band set up, they pulled out. So Memorial Day would be the question as to whether we keep the kitchen open or somebody else wants to take on the cooking.

Speaker 19 59:05

I'll ask the auxiliary one more time. If they say no, we'll just call kitchen.

Speaker 1 59:10

Would be my suggestion this, you know what he did? He did a hamburgers and hot dogs for Super Bowl. I think that it would be the same sort of thing for Memorial Day. Keep it as a backyard barbecue tank idea, yes, okay. If you don't have anybody to fill it in, I'd like to have Italian night all the way all

the way back. Then you guys aboard him, somebody stand up. Commander. You're talking about, you're trying to get that replaced. No, no. We're talking about Memorial Day.

Unknown 59:42

Okay, your tally night authority set in stone.

Speaker 1 59:47

Well, you need to talk to your people about that before you do that at the suns. You can't just jump in there and say you're going to do without talking to your your commander and your board.

Unknown 59:58

I appreciate the sentiment.

LEE WILSON 19 1:00:02

It's never too early start planning for the Fourth of July. We'll need a band. And again, does somebody want to cook for that son's auxiliary or do we have the kitchen open? We always have a hell of a fourth of July party here. It's like, pretty out of control. Our new outsource sign, or the old plastic one, sit behind Garth there and Kevin. It's got the golf ball hole in the top. You know, we could throw that out. But is there somebody in this room would like to keep it, maybe put it in their garage somehow or something, but the site that isn't mucked up, we had it mounted. It's above the bar, and it's really beautiful. Mike and I are looking in to get an electrician that could go and put in a dimmer switch on there, that could turn it up and down and okay, but that's what we're but it looks really great our so does our new 85 inch TV. I learned some lessons over there in the football game on Sunday. If you're just using the sound bar, it's great if you're sitting close, but if you're kind of 15 feet away, it's kind of hard to hear, especially people are talking. If you crank the sound on the TV and don't and take out the sound bar, it's about equally loud. You really can't hear any farther than about 15 feet. If you play both the same time, you get that echo, echo, it's a reverb, you know, because one thing, and so I'm suggesting, and we also have a problem, because when we mounted it, there's no way to access the USB port or HDMI ports. And so we're going to have to take it down regardless, and plug in some extension cords so we can plug in with HDMI USBs. But as long as we're doing that, Mike and I maybe the commander can talk about it. We do have an articulating mount that we can put up, and maybe put it up a little higher Mike, because I know people, when you sit at those tables, your head's still kind of blocking. And maybe we put the sound bar underneath the TV. If we raised it in a foot or so, that would give us some more head clearing through. But also, we have the articulating theme. We can access the USBs and HDMI, but we'll talk about it more later. You got a you got a rack ready to go if you want to do you talking about compressor plaque. I had an extra radio room key. Make daytime members if you guys are here during the day. And we have guests uninvited from Canada, and they like to see our historic broadcast group. There's now an official key on the big main key chain behind the bar in the storage room. Anybody ask show off this thing? I think it's something we should all be proud of. It's crown jewel this place.

Unknown 1:02:40

We've talked about that too.

ANDREW 14 1:02:50

Actually, I do kind of say something. I have encountered, I have encountered some people on the back of that loading dock, kind of, especially if the doors propped open for ventilation, kind of peering in. It can, if it's if it's unlocked, especially during the summer months, somebody could easily, kind of slip in and slip out.

JOHN PICKEN. 1 1:03:13

Thank you, Andrew, something to take under consideration. Maybe we can bring that up at the house committee.

LEE WILSON 19 1:03:21

Well, Black History parade. It's on Saturday, February 28 the last few years, everybody in this room is welcome to join us. Garth, can I get a convertible from you again?

GARTH

just checking to see if I'm in town.

LEE WILSON

Saturday, March, February 28 starts at 11. We'll also have our tent out there by the Maryland statue. There's a lot of vendors and food and stuff like that. But I think this is a great way again for us. He get our face out in committee. I've contacted I haven't heard back yet. I just asked him today, Chip Atterbury, retired Colonel Air Force and maybe want to be our VIP guy. We also got Charles Potter, our Korean War Hero Guy, to be a VIP and a convertible also. So I need at least two cards for two VIPs. 11 o'clock. I'll be there. All right, we got one car down, and I think I'll get another one. And then finally, the fundraiser we did with my brother, Rob. He was in a band. Oh, he just got in the hospital. They verticulate A couple years ago. He's in the hospital family, but we made \$3,000 for the baseball team come Hello, get your photo with me presenting you the checks on our Facebook page, and only get your ass up here.

John Picken

Can we do this at the Yeah, after the meeting, all right, in front of the American flag. That's good idea. Yeah, we got a lot of stuff we got to get through here still. That's all I have, sir. Thank you. Appreciate it. Okay, going to the committee reports, health committee, speaker, House committee.

Lee Wilson

We have two events that we approved. One's on 312 it's an art event from six to 8pm in the back bar the suns Italian night on 321, four to seven. We had another request that we denied because due to safety concerns, repairs have been made to the roof issue the drain in the lighting room was snaked out with the issue is the toilet handle you got to hold it down for it to flush all the way to go through. Another complaint regarding the kitchen and mold. I'll let John talk about that a little bit later.

Unknown 1:06:01

If you see somebody coming in that didn't show their ID cards to the bartender or to somebody at the door, we've been having issues with people not having their ID cards current and people signing people in because they feel bad for them, or they get a sob story.

Unknown 1:06:28

I'll let John No,

Speaker 1 1:06:29

I just wanted just to today, so I gotta call myself out on that.

Unknown 1:06:33

Oh, okay.

Unknown 1:06:35

We had a bartender sign somebody in that they were whatever. They were non members. They were non members. So we shouldn't be doing that any non member. If you would not enter or let them come into your own home, I would not let them in the front door if I didn't know you, you're not going to get invited into my house. That's the way it would be membership cards, we still need to check and make sure now, since the 31st of January, if you have not renewed your card by now, you are delinquent and you are not a member in good standing. So anybody that doesn't have their membership card renewed, please see me ASAP, and we will get it taken care of. Do you want me to do the membership?

Speaker 1 1:07:36

That's next, so go ahead. It's fourth, but we can do it. We can

Unknown 1:07:41

get it all. We have 12345,

Speaker 20 1:07:44

new members and five transfers. New members are river Poland's. Stephen, I can't say that last night. Richard door, Lewis Marta lane, John Jerry Sandoval, those are all new members, and the transfers are Barry Miller, he's from post 18. Charles Evan from post 138 William Chitwood from post 1000 Paul Kaiser from post 1000 and Alicia espano from post 24 everybody has been verified. I'd like to make a motion to accept these members into our post.

John Picken

Before we do that, are any of these members, new members in the audience? No, okay, we have a motion to accept Riccio.

Unknown 1:08:47

I second, sir. Thank you.

John Picken

Any discussion? All in favor?

Any opposed?

Ernie

Welcome to the post. I post the total numbers that we have, we have 48 new numbers since, since the beginning, paid up for lives. 87 right as of now, we have 505 total members that have paid seven transfers that have come in, and a total of 647 Our goal was 736 and we are 87.91%

John Picken

Thank you. The department's goals were, are coming up tomorrow for 85% we've made it with a little spare so hopefully we can get the was it 80 some odd? 90 some odd that we need to Yes, sir.

Ernie

One last thing I'm working on post one. 1000 right now I'm getting the letters ready to be sent out to ask those people if they would like to transfer to our post, since they're in our area.

Unknown 1:10:11

Thank you. Appreciate that.

John Picken

Okay, 87.91% striving to get that 100% again. Okay?

Communications Committee, you already got your stuff done. You already did the finance. We already did that. So we'll go to old business. As we mentioned, our roof needs to be repaired, as we have numerous lease the company to put up the existing roof, which was Castro, is scheduled to come out early March. The warranty on that roof was only five years. We are waiting on other estimates. We have somebody coming out tomorrow. Thank you to Mike beresh, who's going to take a look at just repairing where the water is coming in. We already talked about raising the roof, which was never j we talked about the fundraiser, \$3,000 plus almost 800 or somewhere neighborhood of 800 \$900 for boys and girls state. And then those of you who bought your tickets to the Motherland event at Liberace house, thanks to Garth for sponsoring that project. As he said, We got \$23,000 that came into the post, which we used to pay off a business loan. New business we had, as Ernie said in the House report, so at last meeting we were doing section 23 In other words, finishing up the bylaws. So this would be under our business.

Thank you. What I was going to do is suggest that we wait suggest that we wait until after the all the business for the post was done, and then we can take off with bylaws. I got it right here reading your proposed bylaws, so it's the last thing on my list, after new business. Are you okay with that?

Okay? So recently we've had a number of complaints concerning the health department. We had the health department come in here and inspect us two weeks ago with the following verbal from the inspector, I find nothing notable to verify the complaints. So he passed. I received his written report last week, and we still have our a rating. People who are trying to call the health department or call ABC on us are just trying to shut down this post for no reason. This place is for our members to enjoy. It's an old building. There is no mold in the bathrooms. It's old and stained just a point. We, as already mentioned in the house, we had a bartender, bartender issue signing a non members during an event. The new TV is installed. Okay? Election is coming up, nominations next month and April at the general membership meetings. June will be the election.

Please, no campaigning before your second nomination. What the election's in? May? I apologize. I wrote you. I am sorry. I may have to correct my newsletter too. I double check that. Thank you. Okay, one email I have to read. Got an email I've been talking to this gentleman. His name is Roger Conway, John a quick outline I would like to propose to create veteran community homes for elderly and disabled veterans in Palm Springs. I have met with Councilwoman Grace Garner and tunnel to towers. Both conversations were encouraging. If post 519 would support this concept, I will continue to collect information for a marketing plan. The post could create a listing of potential clients for such a facility and a suggested price point for individual rents. He goes. I have experience in grant writing. Have obtained federal grants from Department of Justice and Department of War, defense in parentheses, I do not want to launch such an effort unless there is support for it, as I have mentioned. I am a committee of one and assume no commitment to date. Very best. Dr, Roger Conway, DPA. I support this. I do not have time to be able to coordinate this. I would love to have somebody step up and take on that project. I think that we just say we're fine with what you're doing, and have a couple of meetings with them to find out what's going on. That would be a great way of going, but I have to leave it up to you. I brought it up at the executive board so we could bring it up here. I'm looking for suggestions, comments, volunteers, comrade Salinas, sir.

Salinas

Two years ago, we actually brought Frank solar and Thomas and towers to this post and presented the fact that they would fund it. At that time, the membership did not see their capability to support it. Thomas and towers then went and put 1.7 billion into the West LA facility. So we have an opportunity again, if Thompson towers Frank will come back here, hopefully the membership, because it is going to take the membership to support it. All Thomas and tower is going to do is provide the underwriting. From that point on, it's up to us. We currently work as district 21 and we support the march Air Force

Base, US facility. So it's great opportunity. I wanted us to think about that because hate to do like he did last time. He bought the entire crew everything they were here, and unfortunately, we were not ready to receive it. Hopefully we're ready to receive it now, begging the membership to really consider that opportunity, but it is a lot of work.

John Picken

Thank you. So again, I'm looking for somebody who wants to take the bull by the horns. I will be contacting him this week just to discuss more. He did tell me that tunnel towers was not supporting any money, providing any monies for this. It's just more of a verbal type of support. I don't know where we're going to go with that. I will contact him and see what information I can get.

John Picken

Okay, last thing on the list here, events coming up. Well, we just had the Mardi Gras on Saturday the 17th, and we have a couple of private events in the hopper. As was said, we have Italian night coming up, and now we're going to have st Patty's Day party potluck on March 14. Anybody have any questions about new business? Anything to add to new business? Mr. Beresh?

MIKE BERESH

I just wanted to add to what you were saying about the ABC, if there's any problems, people see things in this building. This is our post. We want to stay open. There's a board out there tells everybody's name that's on the board. If you come to that person, tell them, we can handle it in house. We don't have to try to get shut down. Whoever's doing this, talk to the Board Members we're going to take care of in house. Thank you.

John Picken

Thank you. Okay, moving right along.

Commander Albert Martinez past commander

I'd like the board to approve this plaque that Lee Wilson has asked me to make, and if you approve it, we can order and have it made. I have three copies you might want to look at it to sort of little photo can be changed at any time, the awarding can be changed if you want, let Lee know, and he'll call me. I've been working with Lee on it, and we can get it ordered. The other thing is, we normally put in the newsletter the statement from the nominated commanders of the American Legion, not not the sons the auxiliary or the writers, and once we get that in, then the commander can approve the wording lane, and we will put it in the next newsletter. Now I understand that the election will be the second Tuesday in May. So what we can do is we can go ahead and put it in the upcoming newsletter within five days, so whoever gets nominated or proposed commander can submit the article to myself, April or my wife and we will put it in the newsletter once John approves it, that would be the march. The March nomination. Thank you

John Picken

That's it. Thank you very much. Okay, anybody else have anything for new business?

Speaker

Sorry, I just need to leave in like six minutes. That's all. I'm sorry. I just need to leave in like six minutes.

John Picken

Your excused. Motion that we accept that approve. was that a motion.

AMADO

POINT OF ORDER, did we approve that plaque?

JOHN PICKEN

We asked the board. We asked the board and they approved it. But we can open it up. I mean, I'm good with it. We want to check the wording and the logos in the picture. Anything can be changed at this point.

RUSANNE

We already approved a plaque?

JOHN PICKEN

We approved the money, just confirming. We didn't approve the picture of the word or anything like that.

John Picken

Can we improve it now please? Albert, make a motion to approve.

John Picken

Go ahead, just say, make the motion to approve.

ALBERT

I make a motion to approve the wording and the plaque to be made and for Allegiant to pay for Lee Wilson

JOHN PICKEN

and a second. Kevin, second, any discussion?

James

Commander, we already mentioned earlier, what the wording down there, the terrorist should be terrorism, Global War on Terrorism.

Andrew

Yeah, I'll change that to terrorism. Okay, correct. It would not, that's it. the only thing is he was in operation just cause global war on terror. Was what during his government contracting days. So that's the only thing. I don't know if that's something that should be changed or not included in the form.

John Picken

Once you talk to Albert about that, and let's amend the motion, we'll prove it substitute changes made by members. I'll second that amendment, there's a second. So any discussion on that, I need to vote on approving the motion second. I mean the amended motion. Thank you. All in favor, aye, any opposed, go back to the original motion, Albert's motion to approve the plan. Allen favor. Any opposed? Okay, now we get to the fun stuff.

Speaker

I do have a couple of questions about the bylaws before we get started, while we ask that. See you, James, thank you for everything. While we did stop, there was a couple of questions that didn't get answered concerning the couple of sections I know we talked about Section six of Article four, talk about Honorary Life membership. There's still some heartache over the fact that it's a second class of members. Mike, would it be okay if we took a 10 minute break before we started?

John Picken

I think that's a great idea. Let's suspend it so everybody can go to the bathroom. Recess, recess, sustain.

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MINUTES BY. Allen Lane