



Sons of the American Legion Squadron 111

Cedar Hill, TX

General Membership Meeting

January 06, 2022 | 6:58 p.m.

I. Call to Order

The general membership meeting was called to order by Commander David Schneider at 6:58 p.m. at 952 N. Hwy 67 Suite 204, Cedar Hill, TX 75104.

II. Roll Call

1. Officers present for Roll Call: Commander David Schneider, Finance Officer / Sergeant at Arms Jan Cloud, and Adjutant David William Schneider. Members in attendance: Felix Lopez. Officers with an excused absence: Chaplain Ramon De Maria, 1st Vice Commander Richard Clements, and 2nd Vice Commander Thomas Dimsdle. Members with an excused absence: Joe O'Neil.
2. Colors were displayed by Sgt. at Arms Jan Cloud.
3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
4. The POW / MIA flag was placed on an empty chair by Jan Cloud, and a moment of silence was conducted.
5. The Preamble was recited
6. David William Schneider led the opening prayer.

III. Previous Minutes of the Last Meeting

There was a motion to accept the past meeting minutes without reading. Note: A copy of the minutes from 12/02/2021 is posted on the post111.org website.

In favor of approving: David Schneider, Jan Cloud, Felix Lopez, and David William Schneider

Against: None

IV. Financial Report

The current finances of SAL Post 111 are \$2,006.36.

- Adjutant David William Schneider submitted MyLegion.org Invoice # 2112180283 dated 12/18/2021 for a total of \$60.00. It covered the 2022 membership renewals for: Aidan W. Wright, Joe O'Neal, and it also covered the 2021 dues for Joe O'Neal. (Johnny Lewis submitted Aiden W. Wright's payment to Pat Flores.)
- He submitted MyLegion.org Invoice # 2112180285 dated 12/18/2021 for a total amount of \$20.00 for the transfer and 2022 membership dues for Jacob Lopez. (\$20.00 dues were paid by Felix Lopez.)

- He last submitted MyLegion.org Invoice # 2112200357 dated 12/20/2021 for a total amount of \$20.00 for the 2022 membership dues for Nathan Schneider.
- David William Schneider submitted a \$100.00 (bill) cash to Jan Cloud to deposit to cover the dues for: Joe O'Neal (2021 & 2022), Nathan Schneider (2022), Isaac Schneider (2022), and Jacob Jacinto (2022).

V. Sick Call

Please pray for:

1. Thomas Dimsdle's wife is currently in the hospital with COPD.
2. Richard Clements isn't feeling well.
3. Ramon's recovery from night blindness.
4. David William's mother-in-law has been diagnosed with cancer and will be undergoing surgery and chemo.

VI. Old Business

1. Discussion of the Veteran's Memorial of America is postponed until more members are present for discussion. The Swap Meet will be further discussed at the next meeting.

In favor of tabling both discussions until the next meeting: David Schneider, Jan Cloud, Felix Lopez, and David William Schneider.

VII. New Business

1. Felix Lopez was presented with a 10 year continuous membership pin , and a Dual Membership pin for SAL and Riders.
2. David William Schneider brought forth a motion to vote on allowing two of his sons, Isaac Schneider and Jacob Jacinto, to become members of Post 111 starting over as new members.

In Favor: David Schneider, Jan Cloud, Felix Lopez, and David William Schneider

Against: None

3. VRC: Veteran's Resource Center:
 - When tabling the discussion of the Veteran's Memorial of America Commander David Schneider had made the comment that he could see the Post helping the Veteran's Memorial by purchasing one of the bricks, but he would rather support the veterans in our own area.

He stated that for the last two months he had been volunteering at the Veteran's Resource Center with Teresa helping to feed Veterans, passing out clothing and personal items. He encourages others at our post to volunteer at the VRC. If interested in volunteering your time at the VRC to help our homeless Veterans please contact Teresa who will have the date and time for each month.

4. Future Meeting Announcements:
 - There will be an SAL 5th District Meeting Sunday, 01/16/2022, at AL Wynnewood Post 511 from Noon to 2 pm. 2022 Membership Goals and CSR reporting will be two of the topics discussed.

- Adjutant School, a one-day training, will be on 02/26/2022 starting at 8 am at Post 453 (2755 Bachman Drive, Dallas, TX 75220). It will be conducted by Texas State Adjutant Bill West. If interested in attending, please let us know so we can notify the 5th District.

5. Chili Cook Off:

- The tentative placeholder date for the 1st Post 111 Chili Cook Off is 02/19/2022. It is understood that the date may not be final, but it is a start to committing to hold it and to move forward in preparations. It will also give time to know what the weather will be like as the date draws closer.

In favor of the tentative date: David Schneider, Jan Cloud, Felix Lopez, and David William Schneider
Against: None

- It is understood that the goal will be to hold both the Chili Cook Off and the Swap Meet at the same time.
- The Swap Meet will be a way for the SAL 111 Post to raise funds for the post by renting space for tables at \$10.00 per table. The vendors who rent a space will receive a free meal and drink as a thank you. Another way to raise funds will be by selling burgers, hot dogs, chips, and drinks. American Legion Post 111 and SAL Post 111 members swap meet set up space will be free.
- The Chili Cook Off requires more discussion to whether it will be a way to raise funds by charging \$5.00 a bowl, to charge a fee that just covers either the medals or trophies for the Cook Off, or just as a way to attract more Squadrons to our location. Since the Swap Meet will be the same day there will also be burgers, hot dogs, and chips.
- The Commander brought up a point that Post 81 charged the participants \$10.00 to enter. He assumes it covered the trophies.
- The pricing of trophies, and medals will be looked into before the next meeting. The cost of the trophies/medals will determine the cost of the entry fee for the cook off.
- Felix brought up the point that we can ask Teresa for help with questions, and he discussed his experience with the Chili Cook Offs he's been to concerning awards, the process, judging, and the charges for entry and bowls. Ex. Taster's Choice Award goes by the number of tickets a participant receives. There is also a Worst Award some people try for.
- Felix also brought up the point that it could be held on a Sunday; it isn't restricted to just a Saturday.
- Both the Chili Cook Off and the Swap meet will be further discussed at the next meeting on 02/05/2022 at 10:00 am.

6. Breakfast Meeting:

- David William Schneider requested if we could hold the next meeting on the first Saturday of the month in the morning as a trial. It may allow more members to participate in the meeting. The Commander brought up that at certain points, like Summer Legion Rides, it may make it difficult for members to make it on a Saturday.
- The next SAL Meeting will be held one time at least on Saturday, 02/05/2022 at 10:00 am. There will be breakfast.

In favor: David Schneider, Jan Cloud, Felix Lopez, and David William Schneider
Against: None

7. Volunteer Time Sheet:

- All members who were present submitted their December 2021 Monthly Time Report to David William Schneider who is keeping an ongoing record for the yearly SAL Consolidated Squadron

Report. He will still need to collect the report from Richard Clements, Ramon De Maria, and Thomas Dimsdle.

VIII. Adjournment

1. David William Schneider conducted the closing prayer.
2. The Sgt. At Arms / Finance Officer Jan Cloud retired the Colors.
3. The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m. by Commander David schneider.