



Sons of the American Legion Squadron 111

Cedar Hill, TX

General Membership Meeting

February 10, 2022 | 7:36 p.m.

I. Call to Order

The general membership meeting was called to order by Commander David Schneider at 7:36 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, 1st Vice Commander Richard Clements, and Adjutant David William Schneider. Members in attendance: Joe O'Neal. Officers with an excused absence: Chaplain Ramon De Maria, and 2nd Vice Commander Thomas Dimsdle.
2. Colors were already displayed, and the American flag was saluted.
3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
4. The POW / MIA flag was already placed on the empty chair, and a moment of silence was conducted.
5. The Preamble was recited

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 01/06/2022 is posted on the post111.org website.

In favor of approving: David Schneider, Jan Cloud, Richard Clements, Joe O'Neal, and David William Schneider

Against: None

IV. Financial Report

The current finances of SAL Post 111 are \$2,066.36.

- Adjutant David William Schneider submitted MyLegion.org Invoice # 2201060456 dated 01/06/2022 for a total of \$40.00. It covered the 2022 membership dues for: Jacob Jacinto, and Isaac Schneider. (David William Schneider had already submitted payment for their dues to Jan at the 01/06/2022 meeting which is also reflected in the minutes.)

V. Sick Call

Please pray for:

1. Glory Margaret, David William's Mother-in-Law, who will be starting chemotherapy for cancer 02/18/2022.
2. Ramon's recovery from night blindness.

VI. Old Business

1. **Swap Meet / Chili Cook Off Date:** The tentative date of the Swap Meet and Chili Cook Off is now moved from 02/19/2022 to 04/09/2022. A Committee Meeting is set for Saturday, March 12, 2022, at Noon. Commander Schneider will speak to Jackie and Ryan about the Swap Meet and will invite Teresa to the Committee Meeting.
2. **Swap Meet / Chili Cook Off Information:** Joe had suggested the date of 04/09/2022 to allow time to plan the event and get information out to other posts. The temperature will also be warmer, but not hot. When food items were discussed, he also suggested instead of having to get and make more items like burgers, to instead make things out the chili from the Chili Cook Off. Ex. Chili Dogs, Frito Pie, Bowls of Chili. We would just need chips, cheese, onions, relish, and disposable bowls as extra. Hot dogs, Frito Pies, and bowls of chili could be sold for \$3.00, while chips and drinks would be sold as extra. Also, if we were making chili pie instead of making individual bowls at a time to mix the bag of Fritos with the batch of chili and serve.

In favor: David Schneider, Jan Cloud, Richard Clements, Joe O'Neal, and David William Schneider.

Against: None

VII. New Business

1. **The Veteran's Resource Center (VRC):** The VRC holds an event each month and needs volunteers. It involves feeding homeless Veterans, passing out personal supplies, and donated coats. If you are interested in helping, please contact Teresa for the date and time.
2. **Sweats for Vets:** The VA Hospital is asking for donations consisting of hoodies, sweatshirts, and sweatpants. Hoodies can be purchased for \$10.00 ea. at Walmart. Sometimes when a Vet is treated their clothes are cut away, and when they are discharged from the hospital, they do not have anything to wear. Commander Schneider raised \$300.00 in donations and said we could use that money for the VA Hospital donation.

In Favor: David Schneider, Jan Cloud, Richard Clements, Joe O'Neal, and David William Schneider

Against: None

3. **American Legion Child Welfare Foundation:** The American Legion is asking for donations for the Child Welfare Foundation. They ask that we donate a dollar per member of our post. Post 111 has nineteen members. The amount suggested by Commander Schneider to send to the program was \$25.00 instead of \$19.00.

In favor: David Schneider, Jan Cloud, Richard Clements, Joe O'Neal, and David William Schneider

Against: None

Jan wrote a check for \$25.00 made out to the American Legion Child Welfare Foundation, which was given to David William Schneider to mail.

4. Announcements:

- Jan announced that starting at 11 a.m. on 04/30/2022, American Legion Post 268 will be having an Inaugural Severely Injured Charity Cruise. They asked the American Legion side of Post 111 if they could use our post as one of the stopping points. Specific details are not available at this time, but more details should be available by our next SAL meeting on 03/03/2022. Volunteers will be needed to serve food and beverages.
 - There is a Crown Royal Raffle that will be raffled off at the 2021-2022 SAL Convention. No one at Post 111 was interested in purchasing raffle tickets for it.
 - It was announced that Post 111 had the highest membership percentage rate of the entire 5th District. The goal for 2022 was fourteen members; we currently have nineteen. Our membership goal percentage rate is 135%.
 - The SAL is doing an event, Flags Across America. If interested, 8 x 12 flags can be purchased from the SAL Flags Across America for \$100.00 a gross. Some cemeteries do not allow the flags to stay out so they can be picked up and reused.
 - Tom Arista was raising donations for a Child and Youth Program by filling up a jar with dimes. On behalf of the Post Commander Schneider donated \$20.00 to the Child and Youth Program.
5. **Volunteer Time Sheet:** All SAL Officers who were present submitted their January 2022 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 Ramon De Maria, and Thomas Dimsdle.

VIII. Adjournment

1. The Colors no longer need to be retired. The American flag was saluted.
2. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m. by Commander David schneider.