



## Sons of the American Legion Squadron 111

Cedar Hill, TX

General Membership Meeting

November 03, 2021 | 7:03 p.m.

### I. Call to Order

The general membership meeting was called to order by Commander David Schneider at 7:03 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, 1st Vice Commander Richard Clements, Finance Officer / Sergeant at Arms Jan Cloud, and Adjutant David William Schneider. Officers with an excused absence: Chaplain Ramon De Maria, and 2nd Vice Commander Thomas Dimsdle.
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. 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander Richard Clements 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 10/07/2021 is posted on the post111.org website.

In favor of approving: David Schneider, Jan Cloud, Richard Clements, and David William Schneider  
Against: None

### IV. Financial Report

There is nothing new to report regarding finances until the next meeting; the newest statement hasn't been received yet. As of the last meeting on 10/07/2021 the current finances of SAL Post 111 are \$2,325.55.

- Commander David Schneider now has a debit card for the SAL account. He has recently spent \$247.00 for 5- and 10-year Continuous Membership pins. The receipt was submitted to Jan Cloud.
- Richard Clements paid \$60.00 total by check for 2022 dues for: Richard Clements, Joel L. Clements, and Bryan W. Dollison. The check was submitted to Jan Cloud to deposit.
- **Post Meeting Note:** As of 11/08/2021, \$100.00 was spent through MyLegion.org to renew the 2022 membership for 5 members who had already paid. A copy of the invoice receipt was submitted through email to Commander David Schneider and Sgt. At Arms/Finance Officer Jan Cloud.

V. Sick Call

Please pray for:

1. Jan
2. Ramon & his wife Gloria's surgery and recovery
3. The Family of Larry Walter

VI. Old Business

1. Due to two main people being unable to attend at the end of October and other details for vendors and prizes / raffle needing to be clarified, the Swap Meet has been postponed until further notice. A new date and the details of a new swap meet will be brought up at the next meeting.
2. Due to the American Legion side of Post 111 already hosting lunch for Veterans on Veteran's Day and dates being so close together, the Appreciation Luncheon has been postponed until a set date and the details worked out at the December 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting. A potluck where everyone could bring something was suggested.
3. Reminder that the Auxiliary at 424 will be feeding 80 homeless Veterans at the Veteran's Resource Center on 11/12/2021 at 10 am. Our post was asked to donate pies, and we had voted at the last meeting to supply the pies. Volunteers to help serve the homeless veterans would be appreciated.  
**Post Meeting Note:** Commander Schneider bought the pies at Costco for \$71.92 on 11/11/2021.

VII. New Business

1. Membership Dues:

- SAL Post 111 is breaking even with membership dues. \$5.00 is going to American and \$15.00 is going to District (Texas). Per the SAL District Commander, it is an error on National side, and we should expect to receive a refund of \$5.00 per member at the end of the year. We could, however, vote to raise our dues. A vote would be needed to either increase or decrease the SAL dues, and National would also need to be notified. If approved the increase or decrease would not take effect until the 2023 dues. There was a motion to table the discussion of raising dues until more members are present.

In favor: David Schneider, Jan Cloud, Richard Clements, and David William Schneider.

Against: None

2. 5- & 10-Year Pins Awards:

- Joel Clements: 5 years continuous membership
- Richard Clements: 10 years continuous membership
- Jan Cloud: 11 Year continuous Dual Membership
- Jayden Cloud: 4 years going on 5 years of continuous membership
- Jeremy Cloud: 8 years continuous membership
- Justin Cloud: 4 years going on 5 years continuous membership
- Ramon De Maria: 10 years continuous membership
- Vincent Sanchez: 8 years continuous membership
- Thomas Dimsdle: 4 years going on 5 years continuous membership
- Bryan Dollison: 4 years going on 5 years continuous membership

- Jim Duncan: Unable to contact.
- Felix Lopez: 12 years of continuous membership; Also received Rider's pin
- David William Schneider: 10 years of continuous membership
- David Schneider: 12 years continuous membership

Note: Wearing the SAL 5- and 10-year pin in public counts towards Americanism hours.

3. Assistant Chaplain:

- Richard Clements was asked if he would fill the role of Assistant Chaplain during the times that our Chaplain is not able to make it to the meeting.

4. Volunteer Time Sheet:

- All members who were present submitted their October 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 Ramon De Maria, Thomas Dimsdle, and Felix Lopez.

5. Veteran's Memorial of America:

- Richard Clements presented paperwork and information he brought from James Henager, who is the Chairman of the Veterans Memorial of America, in Buckskin, Indiana.
- The two projects highlighted tonight were:
  - 1) Mr. Henager is asking for donations to bring the Vietnam Wall to Indiana. This includes money to purchase land, and to build a warehouse to store food for Veterans and their families.
  - 2) Currently there are two individual or family sponsorship levels: A 4x8 brick for a \$65.00 donation, and an 8x8 brick with a \$200.00 donation. The bricks will include a small plaque with you or your family's name which will be placed at the Memorial location for visitors to see.
- There are more projects and more information within the small pile of paperwork. The papers were given to David William Schneider to look into and present at the next meeting.

VIII. Adjournment

1. 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander Richard Clements conducted the closing prayer.
2. The Sgt. At Arms / Finance Officer Jan Cloud retired the Colors.
3. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m. by Commander David schneider.