



American Legion 3rd District of Missouri Meeting Minutes

April 12, 2015 – Excelsior Springs, Missouri – Clyde Gustine Post 236 hosting.
3rd District Commander John Kopp opened the meeting at 12:59 HRS with a salute to the Colors.

3rd District Chaplin R. E. Holtz gave the opening prayer.

3rd District Commander John Kopp read the POW/MIA Chair Remembrance.

3rd District Commander John Kopp led the Pledge of Allegiance and reciting of the Preamble.

3rd District Commander John Kopp asked for roll call of Post present.

3rd District Adjutant Robert Emery read the roll call of Posts present. With five (5) Posts present, a quorum was found to be present.

3rd District Commander John Kopp asked for reading of the minutes from the last 3rd District Meeting. Judi Samborski made a motion to forgo the reading of the minutes and proceed with 3rd District business. R.E. Holtz seconded the motion and the motion passed.

3rd District Commander John Kopp asked for the Finance Report.

Finance Report:

3rd District Finance Officer Judi Sambroski gave the finance report for the 3rd District.
CD with Academy Bank: \$3068.42

Checking account Bank Midwest beginning Balance: \$4,326.22

Checking account Bank Midwest deposit \$605.00

Checking account Bank Midwest total Balance: \$7,999.64

Total Balances: \$7,999.64

Total Deductions: \$2236.85

Total Current Assets: \$5726.79

3rd District Commander John Kopp said that he would entertain a motion to accept the Finance Report as given. R.E. Holtz made a motion to accept the Finance Report as read. Bob Box seconded the motion and the motion passed.

3rd District Finance Officer Judi Sambroski reported that the 3rd District had its tax exempt status once again and she was waiting until May 8th to be able to file the 3rd District 990N.

Bob Box made a motion to accept the Tax Exempt report as given. Gary Nichols seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Guest:

3rd District Commander John Kopp introduced American Legion Department of Missouri Commander Dennis (Mr. Smith) Woeltje.



American Legion Department of Missouri Commander Dennis Woeltje talked on the following:

Membership:

American Legion Department of Missouri Commander Dennis Woeltje talked about Department of Missouri received money from American Legion National when ever membership goals were reached.

Door Hangers:

American Legion Department of Missouri Commander Dennis Woeltje showed off door hangers that are available from Department of Missouri free of charge.

Centennial Pistol Raffle:

American Legion Department of Missouri Commander Dennis Woeltje talked about the pistol raffle and that only five hundred (500) tickets would be sold.

Consolidated Post Reports:

American Legion Department of Missouri Commander Dennis Woeltje said that Department of Missouri would have one hundred (100%) completion.

American Legion Department of Missouri Commander Dennis Woeltje thanked the 2nd District for its support over the last year.

Correspondence:

3rd District Adjutant Robert Emery reported that there was no correspondence to be read at this time.

Membership:

3rd District Commander John Kopp reported that there are currently four (4) of the 3rd District Post that are at or over one hundred (100%) percent membership.

Correspondence:

3rd District Commander John Kopp asked if there was any correspondence to be read. 3rd District Adjutant Robert Emery reported that there was none to be read.

Missouri Boys State:

3rd District Missouri Boys State Chairman John Kopp reported that he had turned in fifty four (54) Missouri Boys State Applications and ten (10) Alternates.

3rd District Missouri Boys State Chairman John Kopp reported that last year he had turned in fifty six (56) Missouri Boys State applications.

3rd District Missouri Boys State Chairman John Kopp reported that he had picked an applicant for the 3rd District to send.

3rd District Missouri Boys State Chairman John Kopp said that every one was welcome to visit Missouri Boys State while it is in session but, please contact Marvin Harper to schedule your visit. 3rd District Missouri Boys State Chairman John Kopp said that Marvin Harper phone number was (660) 652-3291.

Oratorical Contest:

3rd District Commander John Kopp reported that the American Legion National Oratorical Contest was being held now in Indianapolis.



Cadet Patrol:

3rd District Cadet Patrol Chairman Bob Box reported that he had received three (3) applications.

Americanism: No Report

Service Officer: No Report

TFA:

3rd District Commander John Kopp reported that the 3rd District had set up a TFA Fund. TFA Chairman Douglas Millison reported that he had one TFA request since the last 3rd District meeting and has not received a response from the veteran.

TFA Chairman Douglas Millison talked about the process and contacting the local Post for any help they can provide.

TFA Chairman Douglas Millison reported that the National TFA was for veteran with minor children and the 3rd District TFA fund did not have this restriction.

Old Business:

3rd District Commander John Kopp showed off the new 3rd District Flag.

New Business:

Truman Days:

3rd District Commander John Kopp talked about Truman Days May 7th to the 8th and that all Adjutants should have received information on the event already.

3rd District Commander John Kopp talked about nominations for 3rd District officers and chairmen.

3rd District Commander John Kopp reported the Bob Box and John Kopp would be the nominating committee.

3rd District Commander John Kopp talked about upcoming Veteran Benefit Fair April 25th in Tarkio, MO.

Bob Box talked about updating Post 61 Constitution and By-Laws and having the changes approved. Bob Box suggested that all Post look into updating their Constitutions and By-Laws to conform to National Constitution.

3rd District Commander John Kopp talked about Past Commanders Golf Tournament July 9th in Springfield, MO

Department Convention:

3rd District Commander John Kopp reported on the Department Convention in Springfield, MO July 9th through the 12th.

3rd District Commander John Kopp talked about forming a hospitality room committee.

3rd District Commander John Kopp talked about Department of Missouri American Legion wanting all local Post to send in a history of the Post.

John Kopp talked about Gladstone Armed Forces and Memorial Day Celebration.

3rd District Commander John Kopp talked about the Traveling Wall being displayed at the WWI Memorial and that they were looking for volunteers.



3rd District Commander John Kopp talked about the American Legion National Convention August 29th through the 30th in Boston, MASS.

3rd District Commander John Kopp talked about the new PFUL application process which is now handled all online.

Good of the American Legion:

American Legion Department of Missouri Commander Dennis Woeltje talked about all of the Department of Missouri Committees and any one interested in being on one of these committees should contact the Department Committee on Committees. Marvin Harper, David Schafer, and Art Wilson.

Douglas Millison asked how to find what the committees are.

American Legion Department of Missouri Commander Dennis Woeltje said that the committees are listed in the Department Directory.

Next 3rd District Meeting:

3rd District Commander John Kopp reported that the next 3rd District Meeting would be June 8th at Post 95 meeting place at Our Lady of Mercy Country Home in Liberty Missouri.

3rd District Commander John Kopp thanked Post 236 for hosting this 3rd District Meeting

3rd District Commander John Kopp thanked Auxiliary Unit 236 for providing food for the 3rd District Meeting.

3rd District Chaplin R. E. Holtz gave the closing prayer.

3rd District Commander John Kopp closed the 3rd District meeting in due form at 13:54 HRS

Submitted by:

Robert C. Emery
3rd District Adjutant

Approved by:

John Kopp
3rd District Commander