



American Legion 3rd District of Missouri Meeting Minutes

March 08, 2026 – Robinson-Beeching Post 508- Stewartsville, Missouri hosting
3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann proceeded to open the 3rd District Meeting at 15:04 HRS.

3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann led salute to colors

Post 508 Chaplin gave the opening prayer

3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann led the meeting in the POW/MIA Memorial

3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance and reciting of the Preamble.

3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann welcomed everyone to the 3rd District Meeting and thanked Post 508 commander Ronald Green and POST 508 for hosting today's 3rd District meeting.

3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann found the following guest present and introduced. Department of Missouri Commander Jerome Gootsby to the 3rd District Meeting and asked him if he wanted to say a few words to the 3rd District Meeting attendees.

Department of Missouri Department Commander Jerome Goolsby said he would like to and proceeded to talk about the following subjects.

Buddy Checks

Missouri Boys State and Legion Day at Missouri Legion Boys State

4th of July and the 250th anniversary of the United States of America founding.

Reminder that the American Legion members should not wear or display any American Legion items during any political events or displays.

3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann asked 3rd District Adjutant Robert Emery to call the roll of Posts.

3rd District Adjutant Robert Emery reported that there were seven (7) Posts present and found there was a quorum present.

Posts – 61, 95, 97, 285, 393 508,, and 557

3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann said since the minutes of the last 3rd District Meeting had been sent out via e-mail and posted to the 3rd District website he would entertain a motion to accept the minutes as published.

Motion was made to accept minutes as posted. Motion seconded and motion passed.



COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Report: 3rd District Finance Officer Calvin Bumgarner gave the following report:

Savings Account (Bank Midwest) \$3,392.12

Accrued interest \$ 0.50

Checking Account (Bank Midwest) \$2,834.47

Withdrawals

\$100.00 – Check#1145 Post 557 (HOSTING DISTRICT MEETING)

Deposits:\$0.00

Checking Account Final Balance \$2834.47

Savings Account Final Balance \$3992.12

Total Balances \$6,726.59

Motion to accept finance report as given and seconded. Motion Passed.

3rd District Finance Officer Calvin Bumgarner gave the following reports

Projected Expenses for 2025

3rd District Commander Allowance \$650 (\$650.00)

Department of Missouri Convention Committees – 3 @ \$100 each \$400 (\$300.00)

Hosting 3rd District Oratorical Contest \$100.00 (\$0.00)

Temporary Financial Assistance Fund \$400.00 (\$0.00)

3rd District Commanders Cover Fund \$25.00 (\$0.00)

Note this fund is for replacement cover for the retiring 3rd District Commander regular POST cover with embroidery stating Past 3rd District Commander with years of office)

Office Supplies \$55.00 (\$0.00)

Total Projected Expenses 2025 \$1930.00 (\$255.00)

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Projected income from Per Capita dues from 3rd District Posts \$1,505.00

Project budget short fall \$425.00

Motion to accept finance proposed 3rd District Budget given and seconded. Motion Passed.



3rd District 1st Vice Commander Ed Weaverling talked about Membership goals and working POST 1000 lists
POLO Post was behind in membership.
American Legion Baseball currently had three teams
Post Monthly Mailings: all online at Department Web site
Old Business:
None to be handled at this time
New Business:
Looking for a new 3rd District Service Officer
Time to start updating Post Constitutions and BY-LAWS and submit to Department of Missouri
AMERICANISM:
Start logging POST activities for the Post Consolidated Report
File POST DATA Form for 2026
This years Department of Missouri Legion Collage
Post Honor Team Rifles reports due
Upcoming Legion Riders Legacy Ride
Good of the American Legion:
Department of Missouri Convention July 9th thru July 12th in Springfield
Department of Missouri Fall Conference will be held in October in OSAGE BEACH.
Tony Gardner talked about the Missouri Veteran Suicide Prevention Team and that they were amiable for training sessions to all and if interested please contact them
Veterans 80 and above were most at risk.
Next District Meeting June 8th at Post 61 Kansas City
Legion Officer Guides are online
3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann thanked Post 508 for hosting 3rd District Meeting today.
Chaplin gave the closing prayer.
Post 3rd District Commander Ricky Volkmann closed the meeting at 16:20 HRS

Submitted by:

Robert C. Emery
3rd District Adjutant

Approved by:

Ricky Volkmann
3rd District Commander