**MINUTES OF**

**Slate Ridge Post 182, THE AMERICAN LEGION**

**DEPT OF MD**

**COMPILED BY** \_Jerry Barbour\_\_\_\_\_  **DATE** 10-10-2023

 ADJUTANT-

 **ATTENDANCE TIME**

**APPROVED BY \_\_**Mike McFadden**\_/s/RMM OFFICERS 7 CONVENED** 1835

 COMMANDER

 **MEMBERS 5 ADJOURNED 1950**

Form 74552 **TOTAL \_ 12\_**

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The regular monthly meeting for Slate Ridge Post 182, The American Legion, was called to order by Commander Mike McFadden at 1835 hrs. on 10-10-2023.

**Roll call** was taken with 7 Post Officers and 5 members present.

 Commander: McFadden

 Adjutant: Barbour

 1st Vice Commander: Rob Kranz

 2nd Vice Commander: Engel

 Financial Officer: Bobby Smith

 Historian: Mallonee, Excused

 Sgt. At Arms: Ron Roberts, Excused

 Chaplain: Knaub

 Service Officer: Mark Arnold

 Judge Advocate: Scott Virden, Excused

Quorum declared for meeting.

Melissa Shreve read a letter she drafted about her quitting her position as bartender and her feelings about our post. A copy is attached to this minutes file.

**Membership:** Currently at 64.497% for 2024 year.

**Finance report:** In-$27,523.50. Out-$27,700.46. Total loss-$176.96.

**Newsletter:** Newsletter has been mailed out. Concern was voiced about multiple mailings to one household. But with our bulk rate, we would not save anything on mailing. 15 Dec. 2023 next newsletter is due.

**SAL Crab feast:** Was held 16 Sept. 2023. Profit of 1294.70, but dumpster fee has not been paid yet.

**Oyster feed:** 18 Nov. 2023. $60/ticket. 47 tickets left.

**Veterans Day Program:** Program will be, Sat. Nov. 11.

**Flag Disposal:** 10 Nov. 2023 and 08 June 2024.

**Grave decoration:** Week of 19 May 2024.

**SAL:** $20,756.62 available in account. Breakfast made a profit of $472.89. November breakfast all veterans will eat for free. One new member voted in. Oct. 14, 2023 SAL NCR meeting will be held here.

**Riders:** Ride For Blue raised $10,000 for police charities. Ride on 04 Nov. 2023 ride for child suicide prevention. Riders Bingo coming up on 21 Oct. 2023. Ride to Flight 93 moved to 28 Nov. 2023. Motorcycle parade for Perry Point will be on 27 Nov. 2023.

**Sick Call:**  Donny Williams, Bob Lloyd, Ron Roberts. In memory of Joseph Kling.

**Service Officer:** Still working on organizing medical equipment. Working with a couple outside veterans on various issues.

**Judge Advocate:** Not present.

-Motion to reimburse Christine Lane for lanyard materials. $250.00 for lanyards and $14.00 postage. Passed.

**Correspondence:**

 **-**Veteran at Bayata had to pay for transportation to Perry Point to see his primary care doctor. Motion made and passed to pay $275.00 for reimbursement.

 -Harford Co. Veterans Commission representative will be at our meeting next month.

 -Motion made to buy 2 flags and 10 hats for wheel at oyster roast. Motion made and passed to purchase.

 -Rob Kranz’s son is in Kenya with his Air Force unit. Please pray for them.

 -Mike Cantrell. 410-638-6507. VA Representative for Harford Co.

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-Barstools. Gladiator stool is $259.99 at Eastcoast Barstools. We need to get more prices. John thinks we only need 17 barstools. Tabled until next month.

-Jukebox. We may be able to get a smaller jukebox and then we can get a new TV above it.

-Our canteen manager, Debbie, brought a concern about people bringing containers into the canteen. There is no way to know if they are bringing alcohol in the container. A motion was made to ban all outside beverage containers from the canteen. John Engel made a motion to ban all containers from the whole post. A vote was taken to ban all beverage containers from the whole post. Motion passed with 7 yea/2 nay.

-Christine Lane raised a concern about the outside light at the corner of the building being out. Commander McFadden will get an electrician to check it out.

-There is a Veterans Resource Fair at the Bel Air Armory on 21 Oct. 2023.

-Christine Lane asked about the Green Light program, honoring our veterans coming home. We have one at the canteen door. We will look at where we can put more possibly.

 Respectfully submitted by,

 Jerry A. Barbour, Adjutant