

**The American Legion
District Eight
Department of Missouri
Meeting minutes for January 6, 2019**

The Joint Meeting of District Eight was held at American Legion Post 5, Jefferson City, Missouri. The service was called to order by Terry McDonald, District Eight Commander at 1400 hours. After the Honor Guard posted the colors, Chaplain Christine Sapp offered the opening prayer. Then there was a remembrance for POW/MIAs, the Pledge of Allegiance, and finally a recitation of the preamble of the Constitution of the American Legion.

The District Eight Commander thanked the Four District 8 posts that hosted meals or a meet and greet for the National Commander Brett Reistad's visit to Missouri

- Roscoe Enloe Post 5 here in Jefferson City
- Thoma-Tuttle Post 52 Boonville
- Harry B. Pryor Post 152 Ashland
- Westphalia Post 544 Westphalia

The District Eight Commander also thanked the Legion Riders who escorted the caravan and Brian Sapp who was ride director.

Post 5 Commander, Jim Rosenberg thanked the District Commander for stepping up and being good at what he does.

Introduction of Special Guests: District Eight Auxiliary President, Connie Pack. Hosting Post 5 Commander, Jim Rosenberg, and the hosting Auxiliary president, Christy Scheppers were also introduced.

Commander McDonald introduced:

- The District Eight Officers that were in attendance, which were Commander Terry McDonald, Vice Commander Brian Sapp, sitting in for the Adjutant Joseph Toepke was Jackie Rodgers Jr., Finance Officer Richard Pack, Judge Advocate Robert Lee, and Chaplain Christine Sapp.
- The Past District Eight Commanders that were in attendance, which were Richard Pack and Charlie Goodin;
- A Past Department Commander who was in attendance, which was Charlie Goodin.

There were no NEC Members present.

There were no Department Officers present.

Announcements:

MO American Legion Spring Conference – Friday, February 15 through Sunday, February 17, 2019

District 8 Meeting – March 3, 2019 at 1:00pm at Post 317, Freeburg

Post 5 BBQ and Pork steak Fundraiser – February 16, 2019

Annual Legislative Affairs – January 28, 2019 at 10:00am at Jefferson Building for a closed meeting, then at 1:30pm move to Truman Building for open meeting.

January 29, 2019 at 8:30am in the Capital Rotunda for taking the legislative agenda to representatives.

Commander McDonald adjourned the joint meeting at 1415 hours.

The regular meeting was called to order at 1430 hours by Commander McDonald.

Roll call of district officers was taken with 6 officers present (Jackie Rodgers Jr. sitting in for Adjutant Joseph Toepke). Absent were County Commanders from Cooper and Miller. 5 posts were represented with a total of 15 members present.

Roll Call of Post Commanders:

Post 0005 4 members present	Post 0052 0 members present	Post 0084 0 members present
Post 0104 0 members present	Post 0105 0 members present	Post 0113 0 members present
Post 0152 4 members present	Post 0193 0 members present	Post 0202 4 members present
Post 0210 0 members present	Post 0229 0 member present	Post 0231 0 members present
Post 0238 0 members present	Post 0266 0 members present	Post 0304 0 members present
Post 0317 1 members present	Post 0343 0 members present	Post 0415 0 members present
Post 0424 0 members present	Post 0506 0 members present	Post 0544 0 members present
Post 0545 0 members present	Post 0624 0 members present	Post 1111 2 members present

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Minutes of Previous Meeting: Charlie Goodin made a motion to approve the previous minutes that were sent out. The motion was seconded and passed

Finance: Richard Pack provided a non-profit status update, specifically that it would cost \$650 to reinstate tax exempt status. A motion was made to speak with Terry Lanning, CPA, about tax exempt status and whether spending \$650 was advisable. The motion was seconded and passed.

Richard Pack provided a Transaction Report from July 25, 2018 through January 3, 2019. Major transactions highlighted and discussed included: consolidating all account in Central Bank, Jefferson City, MO and buying two CD's totaling \$10,000—\$5,000 at River Region Credit and \$5000 at Providence Bank. Richard Pack also provided Current Budget as of January 3, 2019 and outlined the budget for the year; specifically, the planned expenditures and that a reasonable cushion would be kept in liquid form. Finally, Richard Pack reported that 9 Posts have not paid their per capita dues (152, 193, 202, 231, 304, 415, 424, 506 and 545). A motion was made to accept the finance reports. The motion was seconded and passed.

Historian Report: John Picray absent

Membership: No report:

County Commander Reports:

Boone: Vicki Buss reported.

Camden-Morgan: No report.

Callaway / Cole / Moniteau: Richard Pack reported.

Cooper: Scott Gamel absent. No report.

Miller: Barlow Biggers absent. No report.

Osage: Don Schmitz reported.

Post Reports: Posts 5, 152, 202, 317 and 1111 were represented and made reports of activities and membership status.

Service Officer Report: No Report

Committee Reports:

Americanism: No report.

Baseball: Vacant. Mentioned that anyone involved in any youth activities needs a background check.

Boy Scouts: No report.

Boys State: Richard Pack. Boys State chair needed in two years

Cadet Patrol: No report.

Children & Youth: No report.

County Government: No report.

Heroes to Hometown: Vacant.

Homeless Veterans: Vacant.

Legion Riders: No Report

Legislative Chairman: Charlie Goodin. [See report from Joint Session]

Membership: Brian Sapp. Good Report.

Membership Vice Chair: No report.

Homeland Security: No report.

Oratorical: Christine Sapp. No submissions for this year; still \$1,000 outstanding

Publicity: No report.

School Awards: Terry McDonald. Spoke to Post 202's efforts regarding school awards

State Youth Government: No report.

Veterans Affairs & Rehab: No report

100th Anniversary: Vacant

Unfinished Business:

100-year celebration in St. Louis - May 9 and May 10, 2019

Post 152 Events: Chili & Hotdogs – January , 2019 from 11:00am to 7:00p.m

Ham and Beans – February 13, 2019 from 11:00am to 7:00p.m

New Business: No new business.

Sick Call & Relief: Legionnaire Newspaper reported that Ralph Cavalough had passed. This is untrue.

Correspondence:

Received an email resolution indicating Jerome Goolsby will run for Department Historian.

Received a letter indicating Maryin Harper will run for Department Chaplain.

Time and Place: The next meeting will be Sunday, March 3, 2019 @ Post 317 in Freeburg, Missouri at 1:00pm with meal following. Then June 2, 2019 with 11:00 a.m. memorial service @ Post 624 in Sunrise Beach, Missouri. Then, September 8, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. @ Post 202 in Columbia, Missouri. Then January 5, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. @ Post 5 in Jefferson City, Missouri

Chaplain Christine Sapp offered a closing prayer and Commander McDonald adjourned the meeting.

Terry B. McDonald, Commander

Jackie L. Rodgers, Jr., Acting Adjutant