

Yellowstone Post 4

General Meeting Minutes 07/15/2025

- Declared open at
 - 1900
- Quorum with members present.
 - 18 (Jay Adams, Don Clair, Jim Salsbury, Al Hager, Gil Floyd, Dan Stetler, Shawn Brooks, Harlan Owens, Drew Danforth, Trevor Barnhart, Kyle Maxwell, Bill Boles, Anthony Gackle, Wade Austin, Matt Kadlec, James Marska, Joy Marska, Randy Stiles)
- New Members or Guest
 - (Jake A, Duane C, Richard S, Amy B, Jenelle M, April, Randy G, Dave W)
- Awarding of Certificate of Appreciation and AL music pin to Randy Grow, Post 4 Honor Guard Bugler
- Minutes from last meeting
 - Motion made to accept with changes to Fundraiser note and E Board Member name omitted. Made by Drew
 - 2nd by Anthony
 - Motion passed unanimously
- New Correspondence
 - Letter from YCDF inmate asking for money for commissary
 - Sponsor request from BASTARDS for basket for 9/11 run
 - Sponsor request for BEC for \$500 sponsorship
 - Veteran request for help with Transmission repair
 - Air Controls repair bill
 - Insurance deductible bill
- Finance Officer Report
 - Balances -See Financial Officer report
 - Roof loan APR increased
 - Moving \$993.76 plus \$600 from Boys State to Post Account
- Vice Membership
 - Yearend Goal – 394
 - YTD – 49 renewals for 2025
- Newsletter
 - Newsletter missing Bar calendar, Ready to go besides that, Sara will send to Adjutant so can be loaded onto the website.
- Highway Fatality Markers
 - Nothing to Report
- Bar details- Details on file with Finance Officer
- Fundraiser Committee – Events
 - Waiting for 20 tiles to make next order or Veteran’s Day
 - SAL gun raffle completed

- Gun purchase/donated by members to kickstart
 - Funds will be used to paint exterior of the Post
- Honor Guard
 - Services – 3 services provided Plus participation in combined Unattended color guard support
 - Balance – On file with Finance Officer
- Legion Riders
 - 21st Iron Horse, 27th Belgarde Poker Run, Throwdown Colors presentation, \$380 raised for Auxiliary Poppy Drive, 4 participants in ride to Dept convention, 4 participants in Dept Ride, 1 Rider in Hospital with broken hip
- Flag Disposal
 - Up to Date
 - Trevor will pick up flag from Camping World
 - Need to plan a ceremony for after burn ban lifted.
- Sick Call
 - John Miron- sent to ED after VA visit, admitted for observation
- Boys State
 - 2 boys paid for and van rental covered for both boys and girls to and from Helena
 - Will start working on next year at start of school year
- Americanism
 - Baseball will get list for gate help and will send out
 - Honor Guard will present colors
 - 1st Pitch for opening ceremony
- Unfinished Business
 - None
- Auxiliary
 - 9 girls to state
 - 27 paid members
- SAL
 - Gun raffle was a success
 - Working on the exterior of the post
- Audit
 - Nothing to Report
- Judiciary
 - Nothing to Report
- Nominee Committee
 - Chaplain Vacant with appoint of Shawn to Adjutant
 - Randy Stiles nominated by Shawn, 2nd by Anthony
 - Nominations open until election at August Meeting
 - Historian
 - Drew Danforth self-nominated.

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- New Business
 - Motion to make amendment to the Post bylaws to establish the Assistant Adjutant position by Drew
 - 2nd by Anthony
 - Will be voted on in August meeting to add amendment.
 - Motion to have SAL establish it own bank account by Trevor
 - 2nd by Shawn
 - Motion passed
 - Motion to Host an American Legion Riders Chapter at Post 4 by Trevor
 - 2nd by Kyle
 - Long discussion by membership with concerns and what it means
 - Motion unable to decide by voice vote
 - Call for vote by show of hands
 - Vote results 8-yes, 5-no, 5-abstained
 - Motion for Post to recognize American Legion Riders positions of Director and Assistant Director by Trevor
 - 2nd by Anthony
 - Motion passed
 - ALR can have other positions as the Director and Assistant Director need to help run the program
 - Report of 2026 convention by Department Adjutant
 - National Chairman was present
 - VA Service Officer PACT Act
 - Political Speakers
 - ALR resolution
 - Started in 2019, this year approved
 - Goal of helping to mend fences of posts and riders
 - Boys state resolution failed
 - Purpose was to start conversation
 - Key get into schools
 - Office of Public Instruction established requirement for ½ civics will count Boys and Girls State.
 - Fraud /Theft
 - Do not assume, trust but verify
 - Idaho Dept Adjutant jailed for embezzlement of funds
- 2026 Convention
 - Butte pulled out
 - Ask for a site
 - District 11 delegation discussed opportunity
 - Post 4, 123, 117 and 119 all host in Billings
 - Post Auxillary and SAL

- Post ALR
 - Key is all work together
 - Motion to have representation at the 2026 Department Convention Committee by Shawn
 - 2nd by Randy Stiles
 - Motion Passed
 - Richard will take same motion to Post 123
- Memorials to any departed Veterans
 - Nothing to Report
- Business for the Good of the American Legion
 - None
- Door Pot
 - \$ 22
 - Won By Drew
 - Donated to Sign Fund
- Meeting adjourned - 2105