

Holloway – Moore Post 273
The American Legion, Department of Virginia
Poquoson, VA
Business Meeting Minutes

Date: 2 Apr 16

Commander : Larry Hale ✓	Treasurer: D. Rhoades ✓	Athletic Director: Vacant
1 st Vice : Jeff Gross	Sgt-at-Arms: R. Yannello	Historian: J. Mullen
2 nd Vice: John Frankenburg	Chaplain: Les Kahn ✓	Past Commander: Mark Carroll ✓
Adjutant : Mark Moncure ✓	Service: S. Dominguez ✓	

Normal opening ceremony and breakfast. The meeting opened at 0800 AM followed by breakfast. Meeting convened at 0820. 32 Members were present.

Guest Speaker – None this meeting.

Adjutant's Report – Adjutant was quite rudely overruled and no one wanted to hear the minutes from the March meeting.

Membership – No change from last month, currently is at 91.87%. Current membership goal stands at 123. Remember that annual dues are now \$35. Look around and see if there are eligible candidates in your neighborhood or perhaps a co-worker who lives in the area you can invite to a meeting.

Finance Officer's Report – March treated us a little better than the previous month. Current balances were LFCU Checking [REDACTED]; LFCU Savings [REDACTED]; Jackson Annuity [REDACTED]; Edward Jones Long Term Funds [REDACTED]; and total assets of [REDACTED] (up \$2,445 from Feb). .

Athletic Director – Leck Hangar stressed the need for an Athletic Director. This is a very demanding job and Leck has been doing a stellar job of being the liaison for the baseball program. The post discussed the recent hike in baseballs that will cost the post about \$800 this season if we can still field a team. The post overwhelming concurred that everything possible should be done to keep a team on the field. Many thanks to Leck for all his hard work!

Illnesses – Les Kahn reported that Bill Emerick has been entered into hospice care. Never underestimate the power of your thoughts and prayers for his comfort. Please call and visit when you can, it is very much appreciated. Please also don't forget about Ray Yannello's family in thought and prayer over his daughter's thyroid cancer treatment. God's mercy will prevail.

Old Business – Boys/Girls State discussion continued. Post 75 in York County does not have the membership to sponsor candidates for Boys/Girls State for the Tabb and Grafton High Schools in their district. Ideas were discussed about how we in Post 273 can sponsor candidates from York County deserving and interested in participating. This is a much worthwhile program, with some members giving personal testimony of its importance and impact. We will continue to press this hard. Many thanks to the Kiwanis Club for their generous \$800 donation.

New Business: We are also making preparations for our annual Memorial Day observance in front of City Hall. Color guard from Langley AFB has been reserved and the Tabb High School JROTC will be invited as usual also. The biggest challenge always remains to be the guest speaker. We were close to getting one of the Chaplains at Langley AFB who originally accepted but had to decline due to another higher priority commitment. Tough break so please keep looking around, especially those of us who continue to work on the area military installations. Any ideas please give any recommendations to any Executive Committee member. In addition, Don Ward reminded the post that next month the Ladies Auxiliary will be gearing up for the Poppy Donations during the Memorial Day weekend and of course our good ladies will be needing our help.

Future Events - The next regular breakfast meeting is on **2 April 2016**.

Good of the Post - The 50-50 winners were \$6 to John Bargeman, \$8 to Will Eastwood and \$13 to Don Ward.

Meeting adjourned at 0957.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark Moncure, Adjutant

Signed____MM____

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