

DEPARTMENT MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
March 11, 2017

The Department Membership Committee was called to order with opening ceremonies being observed at 9 a.m. by Barry Wood, Chairman in the Monroe Room at the Holiday Gateway Centre Hotel in Flint, Michigan.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All members present

GUEST PRESENT: 34

MINUTES: Minutes of previous meeting were read. No additions or deletions. Motion by Archie Chappell supported by Gary Lane to accept the minutes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: Discussion about Post 225 members, their dues and processing time.

Zone 1 Report – Archie Chappell reported on organizing districts and going to festivals and community functions to get a table to recruit members.

Zone 2 Report – Catherine Buckley reported on working with Districts.

Zone 3 Report – Bob Bigham reported on membership totals and thanked each District Commander.

Zone 4 Report – Neil Horning thanked the District Commanders.

Zone 5 Report – Gary Lane reported on working with the District Commanders. Only having problems with one Post. Also, working with community groups and organizations.

Jim Saur stated that there may be many reasons a member is not paying dues – health, finances, etc.

DMS Report – Garret Veihl reported best to fill out transfer form so all they do is sign the form and supply a copy of their DD-214 and any current dues. Also, he submitted with his report a copy of the letter to Post 225 members wishing to transfer.

Many questions were asked about Post 225 member applications and transfers, especially with the DD-214 questions.

UP Membership Director David Spencer reported on the UP members. He stated that when the VA comes around to do a town hall meeting for veterans, it would be good for a Post to go to it and recruit.

Asst. Membership Director Sheryl May reported that the expired membership and Post 225 letters on myLegion.org are most helpful.

There was much discussion was then held about what to do about members found in a Post that aren't qualified to be members. The best answer was to give them the option to join the S.A.L.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before this committee, Director Wood adjourned the meeting at 9:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

BARRY WOOD, DEPARTMENT CHAIRMAN
ROBERT BIGHAM, SECRETARY