

The Daniel R. Olsen Post 594 Minutes

5.20.25

Called to Order by Commander Rayman at 1900

1. Opening Prayer – Chaplain Jim Staloch
2. Present POW/MIA flag – Sgt at Arms Mike Peiffer
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Preamble to the Constitution
5. Introduction of New Members/Guests –
Bill Knight, Mark Dolan, Wayne Cavallini, Tom Lutgen
Eagan Clay Target Team ~ Coach Steve Grommesch, Rob Knight Post 594, Member and Coach and Emma Cook, Team Member presented on the Clay Shooting Team at Eagan High School. An opportunity exists for us to sponsor a shooting sports team beginning next fall, with work done over the summer to understand what that entails. Steve explained how the sport works at the high school. They receive no funding from the school, so they have to fundraise to support the team. Watch for more information at The July meeting.

Commander's Report

1. Thank you to all who have shared their time serving post functions. We put the FUN in functions and all are welcome to share in that fun.
2. Election of Officers – Open Position First Vice Commander/Membership
3. Upcoming events and opportunities to help

Adjutant's Report

1. Minutes of the March Meeting – **motion for approval made Kevin G. moves Wayne B seconds. The motion carries**
2. Update on 3rd District Convention – Wayne reelected as Third District Vice Commander
3. Upcoming Department Convention in July – We will have four delegates and one alternate attending.
4. Signing in and including your volunteer hours – everyone gets two hours at a minimum for attending these meetings.
5. A Post Signup Genius has been created and going live thanks to Gary Stanull. Dona for making the cookies!

Past Commander's Report – Wayne reported that Barrett was elected as Finance Chair and Cindy returns as district chaplain. She was also elected as a delegate to National Convention in August.

Committee/Task Force Reports

1. Communications Committee – Bri/John - Thanks to Bri, Shelly, Dave Hammer attended the first meeting along with John & Cindy - Watch for more details. Bri has really upped the look of our publications. Thank you!
2. Member Connect Task Force – Jim Staloch - thanks to the callers, Colleen V, Wayne Olsen, Gary Stanull and adjutant/commander Many calls and emails made to members. It was time consuming but worth it. We hope that this will result in increased participation. Postcards were also mailed and will be done before fall events.
3. Street Cleanup – Joe Dolan – not present. Well attended and lots of trash collected. Afterwards we went for coffee & breakfast at Wendys.

4. Color Guard – Dan Seanoa – Today’s event was canceled. Two events on Memorial Day. The Eagan Police Dept and Fire Department Guards will also be present. Additional members are needed. Contact Dan for more info.
5. Blood Drive – Mike Peiffer Next drive is on June 17, 9 – 3 at the Community Center. There will be a Sign-up Genius for volunteers released soon.

Officer Reports:

1. First Vice Commander/Membership: Pat Graham – Currently membership is at 214 86% Pat’s term is up and the position needs to be filled. She will remain as a mentor for the new person. Talk to Pat for more details about the position
2. Second Vice Commander/Social Connections/Communications
3. Finance Officer: Paul Kovach \$26,817.60 Made a \$1000 donation to the Legion Baseball Team. Current Balance:
4. Post Service Officer: Rob Cahalan – Not present
5. Historian/Webmaster: David Hammer – Not present
6. Auxiliary: Paulette – Not present Dona reports - Poppy Distribution resulted in \$2,215.72. Thank you to the volunteers who braved the cold and rainy weather to make this happen! The Auxiliary is continuing its monthly mailing of birthday cards to those at Hastings Veterans Home. The Auxiliary also made a presentation on the flag at Lexington Pointe that was well attended. Sent postcards to Veterans who live there for Armed Forces Day, May 17th. Kim Ashland ran the program and did a great job!

Motion to accept these reports by Mike P Seconded by Wayne Cavallini Motion carries

Unfinished Business: Post members are invited to participate in all of these events. Show up wearing some form of Legion gear to make our presence known and felt in the community.

1. Upcoming Events:

- EHS Senior Military Recognition, 5/22/25, 1700, EHS Commons
- Memorial Day, 5/26/27, 1000 Christ Lutheran, 1200-Never Forget Concert Central Park Bandshell/Tribute Plaza - 1330 the Memorial Day Event with tribute
- Flag Inspection, 6/2/25, 1900, with Scouts at Easter Lutheran on the Hill
- Flag Retirement, Wednesday, 6/11/25, 1600 Potluck? **No decision made**, 1700 Flag Retirement
- Blood Drive at Eagan Community Center, Tuesday 6/17/25 **Signup Genius for volunteers will go live soon.**
- MarketFest Community Night, 6/18/25. 1600-2000, Eagan Central Park Festival Grounds – **Signup Genius for this event is Open.** Bri & Jon will donate tent.

2. Upcoming Fundraisers:

- Funfest, 7/3 – 7/4/25 – Alcohol Training is required if you haven’t attended in the last two years. Information on Alcohol Training will be provided as soon as it is shared with us by FunFest/Eagan Police Department. A Sign-up Genius with shift availability for beer tent and ID Check & Ticket sales will be at a separate location near the south entrance. Decorations & Games for the tent are needed. Someone is needed to help lead the charge on this. Contact Cindy for more info 651.261.1594
- Union 32, 7/16/25, 1800 – 2200. 10% of the proceeds of all sales goes to the Post. Wear your Legion gear!! Management wants to know we’re making an impact.

New Business:

1. Eagan Beyond the Yellow Ribbon – Paul & Cindy

- Decision made - BTYR voted to continue through the fall and are seeking new leadership. Decision regarding use of remaining funds TBD.
 - Paul & Wayne presented the BTYR Scholarship
 - Rosemount BTYR Event - Patriots in the Park, 10 June 1700-2100, Concert 1900-2100 All are welcome.
2. Proposed connection with Eagan Fire Department & Police Department – Cindy
 - Resource cards for veterans. **MOVE THIS TO CORE TEAM AGENDA**
 - Celebration during Fire & Police Week – we’ve missed this year, but put on the tickler for next year. **MOVE THIS TO CORE TEAM AGENDA**

Post Elections for 2025 – 2026

1. Adjutant – Nomination - Cindy Yanchury
2. First Vice Commander (Membership) – Open/Mark Doble self-nominates from the floor
3. Second Vice Commander (Member Connection) – Nomination - Bri Beltran
4. Sergeant at Arms – Nomination - Mike Peiffer
5. Post Service Officer – Nomination - Neil Heatherington

Motion to accept the ballot made by: Wayne Beierman Second: Jim Staloch
Cindy moves that the ballot be accepted in total Motion carries by acclamation

Thank you to all who have completed their years of service – Pat Graham and Rob Cahallan!
Your service has made us a better post and we’re grateful.

Meeting adjourned at 2025

Next Meetings:

1. Core Team Meeting: Tuesday, June 17, 2025, 1800 – Cedarvale Bowl
2. Regular Post Meeting: Tuesday, July 15, 2025, 1900 – Cedarvale Bowl