



5th District Meeting Agenda August 3, 2014 – 2:00 PM

Post Colors (Bill Craig)

Prayer (Joe Carter)

POW/MIA Chair (Bill Craig)

Pledge of Allegiance

Preamble of the Constitution of The American Legion

Roll Call (Marico Jefferson)

Posts: 111, 511, 53, 368, 597, 802, 453, 424, 504, 81, 507, 292

District Officers: Cmdr, VCmdr, Adjutant, Finance Officer, Chaplain late, Sergeant-At-Arms,

June 2014 Minutes (Marico Jefferson)

Don Cecil--Motion to accept minutes as posted
Alton Brown—second
Motion Carried

Guest Introductions

Bob Elkins—Past Division, District, & Post Cmdr.
Cindy Miller—Department Historian

Appointment & Confirmation ALR Advisor

Glen Wilson replaces Matt Graska; Tom Kelly appointed public relation officer

Larry Smith—motion to accept appointment

Bill Craig—second
Motion Carried

Finance Report (Pat Sansom)—report attached

Larry Smith—motion to accept finance report pending audit
Charlie Peoples—second
Motion Carried

Commander's Report—report attached

Larry Smith—motion to accept report
Cindy Miller—second
Motion Carried

Committee & Advisor Reports

- Membership (Larry Taylor)—report attached

- Americanism (Dennis Snow)--excused

* Community Service

* Children & Youth

* Junior Shooting

* School Awards

- **Baseball (Larry Taylor)—report attached**

Alton Brown—motion to accept report
Bill Freauff—second
Motion Carries

- Boys State (Bob Kaminski/Gary Smith)—report attached

- Boy Scouts (Bernard Aderholt)—not excused

- **Constitution & Bylaws (Gary Poplin & Bill Freauff)—Judge Advocate Gary Poplin excused; report attached**

Bob Elkins—motion to accept report
Glen Wilson—second
Motion Carried

- National Security (Jeff Perkins)--excused

- VA&R (Open)—committed chair needed

- JROTC (Matt Graska)—committee chair needed

- **SAL Advisor (Larry Taylor)—report attached**

Marico Jefferson—motion to accept report
Bill Craig—second
Motion Carried

- ALR Advisor (Glenn Wilson) Sick Call, Relief and Employment Service Officer's Report

Glenn Wilson wants to see all Riders throughout the district join together
Jim Baron—Oct 9 funeral services; Oct. 11 for burial services Post 597
Jimmy Rogers—at home care post 453

(Open) Unfinished Business

- CPRs
- 660 AM Radio Advertising—closed, due to lack of time to respond.

Comments—Bob Elkins lists and acknowledge past Dept. Cmdrs. that have passed away.

New Business

- Membership Teams—membership teams at district level
- Training—if you did not get a reimbursement check for department training the Dept. Finance Officer is still working on them, please be patient. Send Cmdr. Smith your ideas about training via email or phone.

Good of the Legion

- Post Roll Call for Input

Post 53 is starting its annual rifle raffle; produced over 15,000 last year
Post 802 celebrated a member with 50 consecutive years of membership; passed out watermelons in the community to elderly last week that were donated by Children's Hospital
Post 511 conducting a bar-b-que membership drive August 16
Post 597 August 23 Craft Fair 10am-4pm
Glenn Wilson—Veterans Olympics in Dallas next year. More detail to come.

Announcements

- District Fall Convention October 18 (Wynnewood Post 511) – Remember Delegate Forms

Closing Prayer (Joe Carter)
POW/MIA Retired (Bill Craig)
Colors Retired (Bill Craig)

Meeting Adjourned 3:18

Commander's Report
June 22, 2014 to August 3, 2014

As District Commander, I represented the 5th District at the following events: GDVC meeting, Post 184 Officer installation, Post 275 Officer installation, attended the Department Convention in McAllen, TX, visited the Veterans Job Fair in Irving, TX, attended Service Officer and Finance Officer training in Killeen, TX, met with new 1st Division Commander, Post 368 Officer installation, was guest speaker at general membership meeting of Post 581, and visited Posts 275, 81, 111, 453 and 368.

Over the next couple of months, the District expects to start a new post in Rowlett and I will attend coffee tours, and expect to participate in various Post activities and raise awareness of The American Legion through attendance at various civic functions and job fairs that might be available.

Respectfully submitted August 3, 2014,

Gary Smith

5th District Commander

2014 Boys State Report

August 3, 2014

Total boys whose applications were processed were 941, but only 921 showed up. Of the 921, only 909 completed Boys State. Currently, the auditorium used only holds 973. For 2015, UT Austin has guaranteed 1100 beds, however the auditorium currently used only holds 973. UT's auditorium holds many more, but it cost \$3000 a day. This means Boys State fees would have to be increased to \$295 instead of \$275. Bus and spending money for the boys would remain \$100. This is being determined as we move toward 2015. Also, the online form is being looked at to make it fewer pages. Stats of the various Districts within the 1st Division are attached. Based on membership numbers, the 5th District was the lowest participating District in the Division with 19% of the total Division's membership and only sponsoring 8% of the boys.

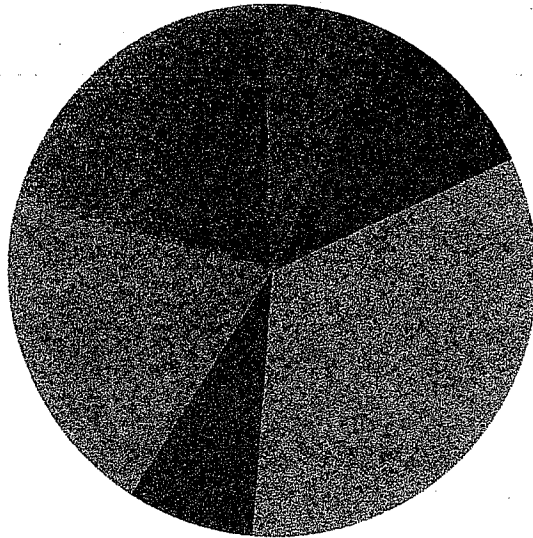
Respectfully submitted August 3, 2014,

Gary Smith

5th District Commander

	Boys State	Membership	% BS	% Members
District 1	19	1326	7%	9%
District 3	28	1312	11%	9%
District 4	86	3813	33%	27%
District 5	20	2652	8%	19%
District 12	52	3697	20%	26%
District 13	53	1328	21%	10%
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Boys State



- District 1
- District 3
- District 4
- District 5
- District 12
- District 13

**American Legion 5th District
Finance Officer Report of Pat Sansom**

For the Period 22 June 2014 through 2 August 2014

Year to Date
September 1, 13 - August 2, 14

Break-down of Income:	<u>Total</u>	<u>Total</u>
50/50 Drawing	\$ -	\$ 53.00
Boys State donations	\$ -	\$ 4,300.00
Dart Tournament	\$ -	\$ 200.00
Spring Convention Income	\$ -	\$ 1,315.00
Fall Convention Income	\$ -	\$ 1,335.00
SAL income/deposits to new account	\$ 685.00	\$ 4,514.54
Fines at meetings/conventions	\$ -	\$ 7.00
Interest Income	\$ 0.06	\$ 0.63
Total Income	<u>\$ 685.06</u>	<u>\$ 11,725.17</u>

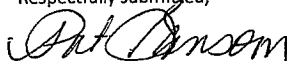
Break-down of of expense:		
Ad in 1st Division program	\$ -	\$ 50.00
Boys State expenses	\$ -	\$ 4,688.00
Fall Convention expenses (includes SAL &)	\$ -	\$ 1,097.32
Spring Convention expenses	\$ 531.38	\$ 1,049.32
SAL expenses	\$ 900.00	\$ 1,100.00
Donations - Don DeLeon Hi School Drill Tex	\$ -	\$ 420.00
Donations-Post 275 for Christmas Party	\$ -	\$ 200.00
Dues-GDVC	\$ -	\$ 10.00
American Legion Training at Dist Conv.	\$ -	\$ 70.00
Emblems & Patches	\$ -	\$ 31.80
Facilities & Equipment	\$ -	\$ 247.23
Flag Expenses	\$ -	\$ 48.75
paper & ink cartridges	\$ -	\$ 61.02
table cover materials	\$ 14.27	\$ 14.27
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 1,445.65</u>	<u>\$ 9,087.71</u>
Net Income (Loss)	<u>\$ (760.59)</u>	<u>\$ 2,637.46</u>

Total District Assets:	
Checking account	\$ 3,097.60
Chase Savings account	\$ 6,907.55
Boys State Account	\$ 2,278.75
SAL account	\$ 3,625.39
Total District assets	<u>\$ 15,909.29</u>

Break-down by accounts	
2013 Dept Convention Fund	\$ 3,061.89
Boy State Fund	1,678.75
Convention Fund	3,602.46
Education/Training Fund	750.50
General Fund	2,627.96
Oratorical Fund	600.00
SAL Fund	3,587.73
Total Fund accounts	<u>\$ 15,909.29</u>

5th District Checkbook:	
Balance as of 22 June 2014	\$ 3,643.25
Total Deposits	\$ -
Total Checks	\$ 14.27
Balance as of 2 August 2014	<u>\$ 3,628.98</u>

Respectfully submitted,



Pat Sansom
Finance Officer

Copies to:

Commander
✓ Adjutant
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American Legion Baseball

5th District Dept. of Texas

August 3, 2014

This year the state tournament will be held in Raymond, TX July 30 thru August 3.

The National tournament will be held in Shelby, NC. August 14 thru August 19 the semi-finals will be carried on ESPN3 and the World Series game will be carried on ESPNU. They expect to reach 80 million viewers.

Post 597 team came in 2nd and we thank them for their efforts

We will know the outcome of the tournaments next week and will report at the next District meeting.

Larry Taylor

Vice-Commander

Dept. of Texas

Fifth District SAL Report

August 3, 2014

The Fifth District SAL Commander Paul Secor has sent a letter to all SAL squadrons informing them of the District meeting on August 3, 2014 encouraging them to participate in District functions.

The SAL 5th District finished at 97.92% of goal for the membership year 2013-2014 just 8 members short of 100% putting them at number 7th in the State.

Because of the change in SAL District leadership last year they have been trying to open up a SAL 5th District bank account due to the changes in tax laws they finally opened up a SAL District Account at Chase Bank last month.

All Squadrons in the 5th District have completed the Consolidated Reports for 2013-2014 and are working on their Post Squadrons Certifications

District Commander Paul Secor is looking forward to a great 2014-2015 year.

Larry Taylor 5th District Vice-Commander

5th District SAL Advisor

Membership Report 5th District Dept. of Texas

August 3, 2014

At our Department Convention the 5th district was number one in the state of TX. And our 5th district commander was awarded his number 1 pin and the 1st Division was number one in the state of Texas.

I would like to thank all the post in the 5th district for their partition in making our District number one. And maintaining and growing your membership

I had the pleasure of attending the 1st Division planning meeting for 2014-2015 We all have great aspirations for the coming year. One of the items that was brought out was the fact that Texas is 49th in the US for market penetration, the 5th District is under 3% market penetration which is an opportunity for us to grow our membership. In the next few weeks I will be mailing the information to you to review and input In planning for the new year.

Please keep up the great work

Larry Taylor

Vice-Commander 5th District

Dept. of Texas



District Meeting report

Constitution and Bylaws

August 3, 2014

Since my last report at our prior meeting I have reviewed the proposed C&BL being considered by Post 292 along with Gary Poplin and Gary Smith. No other requests for information or assistance have been received from other Posts inside the 5th District.

The Judge Advocate at Post 453 has formed committee for C&BL to review of our existing document vs the Standard recommended Post document to create a new CB&L documents for submission to the it's members.

Please remember your Post documents are living documents requiring regular review to protect your Post and Members.

I remain a resource to assist 5th District Posts with questions or concerns on their C&BL's.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bill Freauff'. The signature is stylized and cursive.

Bill Freauff

CB&L Chairman