

**5th District Meeting Minutes
State of Texas
August 4, 2013
Garland Post 23**

1. **Post Colors**
2. **Opening Prayer, POW/MIA Chair, Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Preamble of the Constitution of The American Legion**
4. **Roll Call (Marico Jefferson)**
5. **Minutes (Marico Jefferson)**
6. **Guest Introductions**
7. **Confirm Committee and Advisor Appointments**
8. **Finance Report (Pat Sansom)**
9. **Commander's Report**
10. **Committee & Advisor Reports**
11. **Sick Call, Relief and Employment**
12. **Service Officer's Report (Don Harrison)**
13. **Unfinished Business - Post 292**
14. **New Business - District Fall Convention - National Convention - Membership and TEXALPA Awards**
15. **Good of the Legion - Around the District Roll Call**
16. **Memorials**
17. **Chaplain Closing Prayer, Recover POW/MIA Flag**

4. Roll Call

Posts present: 81, 511, 581, 184, 23, 184, 504, 453, 368, 111, 218, 124, 275

5. Meeting Minutes

Reading of last minutes waived

Robbie Burns—Move

Ron Hall—Second

Majority passed

6. Guest Introductions

None

7. Confirm Committee and Advisor Appointments

Commander read committee and advisor appointments that are filled

Robbie Burns—Move

Dennis Snow—Second

Majority passed

8. Finance Report

Total Income--\$6606.51; Total Expenses--\$3558.94; Net Income Gain--\$3047.57

Report Attached

Dennis Snow—Move
Robbie Burns—Second
Majority passed

9. Commander's Report

Report read by commander stating his goals. Attached

10. Committee and Advisor Reports

Membership Committee Chair

Larry Taylor—Chair

- 5th District Results: 96.18%: 100 members short 2012-2013
- Membership drive for new volunteers, ALA, SAL
- Visit every Post that didn't make 100%
- Distribute Committee action plans for every post
- 50% by January
- October 24-27 National Drive move members from Post 345

Don Harrison--Move
Rick Demar—Second
Majority passed

Americanism

Dennis Snow--Chair

Reported that Mothers Day Celebration will be September 27, 2013

Bill Freauff--Move
Ben Wood—Second
Majority passed

Baseball

League City won baseball tournament in Texarkana

Dennis Snow--Move
Bill Freauff—Second
Majority passed

Boys Scouts—no report

Judge Advocate

Gary Poplin—Chair unexcused

Constitution and ByLaws

Bill Freauff—Chair

Don Harrison--Move

Cindy Miller—Second

Majority passed

National Security

Jeff Perkins—excused

Oratorical

Pat McEnroe—Chair

District goals: 6-10 Participants for District; Each post w/3 schools participating

Past out forms to Post present at meeting; form attached to report

Rick Demar--Move

Ben Wood—Second

Majority Passed

Public Relations

Rick Demar--Chair

Adopt a highway program participation

Will follow up with District Commander

Public Relations info can be ordered by each post

Bill Freauff--Move

Robbie Burns—Second

Majority passed

Junior ROTC

Chair--Unexcused

SAL Advisor

Rick Demar-- Move
Bill Freauff—Second
Majority passed

Riders

Robbie Burns--Chair

Encouraged September VA Ride

Don Harrison--Move
Don Cecil—Second
Majority passed

11. Sick Call (5th District Chaplin)

Prayers for Robert Cook

12. Service Officer

Don Harrison

5-6 year plan for claims cases; National resolution for the change

Don is going to VA meeting this month will give report afterwards.

Rick Demar--move
Dennis Snow –second
Majority passed
Greater Dallas Veteran’s Council—meetings monthly; District Commander requests 3members to join

Don Harrison—move
Dennis Snow—second
Majority Passed

13. Old Business

Post 292 charter was not pulled. They are on probation during said time will be correcting 10 issues noted in the grievance. Department will be here to take statements from Post 292 members. District Commander will give report to district as observations/interviews continue.

14. New Business

Reminder of the District Fall Convention October 19, 2013 the host Post for the District Fall Convention will receive up to \$500 to help offset their expenses.

Bill Freauff--Move
Rick Demar—Second
Majority passed

National Convention--\$25, Parade—wear cowboy hats and boots.

Send events/updates info to District Hubmaster email address; convert to PDF for distribution convenience.

Awaiting Post Commander confirmation of 5th District Christmas Party Post 275

Awards—membership

1st Division Commander Jeff Perkins—encourages baseball team sponsorship

TEXALPA

5th District Awards –Post 81 2nd Place Winner Webmaster Deanna Burns

Post Newsletter—2nd Place Post Commander Mary East Post 597; 1st Place Deanna Burns

Post Round Table Roll Call

81, 511, 581, 184, 23, 184, 504, 453, 368, 111, 218, 124, 275

5th ALA President Myrtle Johnson—encourages working together as family.

Reading of the District Planning Meeting Minutes (Gary Smith)

Meeting adjourned 3:45 pm.

This meeting was recorded and transcribed by Marico Jefferson, 5th District Adjutant

Minutes approved by Gary Smith, 5th District Commander

_____ Date: _____

Minutes approved by Membership: _____