

American Legion
University of Akron
Post 808
Post Minutes 1/23/2017

The 31st meeting of the American Legion University of Akron Post 808 was called to order by Commander Ashley Gorbulja at 6:29 PM.

The quorum call indicated 10 members present. The Commander declared a quorum was present for motion/voting for the post.

The presentation of the colors, pledge of allegiance, and prayer were led by the Commander.

A motion to approve the minutes of the December meeting was made. The motion was seconded by Chris Catalano.

Guests: There were two guests present, John Life, 14th District 1st Vice commander and Deb Dragomir, a former member looking to renew her membership.

Commanders Report – Ashley brought the membership up to date on the April Post fundraising dinner. It will be held on April 20. Details are on flyers which she has put together. Ashley has organized another Exchange St. Chipotle fund raising evening on February 28. This has been a good fundraiser activity in the past. Additionally, a new Melt restaurant has offered a similar program which we will consider. Ashley ask for a motion to give SVA \$200 for the use of their electronic payment system for the April fundraiser. Since the Executive committee had recommended approval it was passed after membership discussion. The Executive Committee also approved the payment of \$14.20 for the post per capita tax paid to District 14. Following discussion from the floor the motion was passed. Ashley asked for anyone willing to fill some vacant officer positions. Jim Perrine graciously offered to look at the Chaplain position. Jay Musson offered to speak with him as to the duties of the position. Patricia Stofiel will have a class conflict for this semester so 2nd Vice Commander Chris Catalano will be stepping up to help with her duties. There is a project started to add an additional veterans lounge in the Polsky building. This should be operational in March. The name tentatively will be FOB (forward operating base) Polsky.

1st Vice Commanders Report – Not present – No report.

2nd Vice Commanders Report – The POW/MIA chair project is ongoing. We have secured a swipe card to enable us to process credit cards for memberships and other transactions.

Adjutants Report – Membership renewals have been lagging. District 14 1st Vice Commander John Life offered several ideas to get members to renew their memberships for 2017. John announced that Post 808 was awarded the best newsletter for a post under 500 members in Ohio. Jackie Ashbaugh, the editor, was given an ovation for her hard work on that project. Two high schools have contacted us today expressing their interest in participating in Boys State, Revere and Akron Early HS. This is a pleasant development which we will pursue.

Executive Board – No report.

Communications Officer – No report.

Committee Reports – No report

Youth Rifle Program – No report.

Service Officer – No report.

Old Business –

New Business – Brad Harvey made a motion to expend \$760.00 to fund 2 students for Boys State in 2017. The motion was made, seconded and passed. Jackie Ashbaugh announced that the Veterans Amputee Baseball game will take place July 15, 2017, details to follow.

Next meeting will be held **February 20** at **the Military Lounge at Infocision**.

Reminders name tags/ preambles/ name tag return & Chaplain's Prayer led by Commander

Meeting adjourned at 6:46pm.

This meeting is available on WebEx :

<https://uakron.webex.com/uakron/ldr.php?RCID=be86e38d95d75ca67c753fd7334f8393>

Our Facebook page is up and running. Post activities can be viewed going back to October, 2014.

Google - American Legion Post 808 Akron.

Also, our website is up and running. (www.al808.org)