



**Department Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
August 5th, 2021
Special Virtual Go to Meeting
7:00 P.M.**

**Call to order
Salute to Colors**

Department Commander Don Weber

Special Virtual Go to Meeting to discuss INDY CAR EVENT

New Business

Roll Call of Officers 2021 – 2022

__ P __	Department Commander	Don Weber
__ P __	1 st Vice Commander	Larry Wittmayer
__ P __	2 nd Vice Commander	Cory Brockmann
__ P __	Immediate Past Department Commander	Steve Adams
__ P __	Department Adjutant	S. Flynn Phillips
__ P __	National Executive Committeeman	Kevin Owens
__ P __	Department Finance Officer	Bob Huff
__ A __	Department Chaplain	Steve Shollenburg
__ A __	Department Historian	Dick Winders
__ P __	Department Judge Advocate	Gene Hellickson
__ P __	District 1 Commander	Lou Neubecker
__ P __	District 2 Commander	Juan Palacios
__ P __	District 3 Commander	John Morford
__ A __	District 4 Commander	David Applegate

__ A __	District 5 Commander	Lance Trowbridge
__ A __	District 6 Commander	Glenn Bradley
__ P __	District 7 Commander	Jim Moriarty
__ A __	District 8 Commander	Ed Mathews
__ A __	District 9 Commander	Larry Hill
__ P __	District 10 Commander	Daniel Burks

Non-Voting Members

__ P __	Alt National Executive Committeeman	Gene Hellickson
__ A __	Department Sergeant-at-Arms	Phyllis York
__ P __	Department Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms	Ward Allen
__ P __	Department Service Officer	Ed Van Dyke
__ A __	Veteran Service Officer Assistant	Jody Marsh
__ A __	Department Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms	Mike Morris

Recorded by Department Adjutant S. Flynn Phillips Date 8/05/2021

The Commander declared a quorum. We have more than 9 members

Opening remarks

Commander Don Weber commented that the purpose of this meeting is, at the convention, we heard of the opportunity to provide information at the Portland International Raceway Grand Prix Event that they are having on September 10th, 11th, and 12th.

When Dean Kessell presented the information, he thought that they would provide booth space for us at no charge; that is not, in fact, the case. There is a \$3000 charge to have a booth there. The foot traffic is extremely high in that location, and they expect to put us very close to the Carvana space, where all of the heavy traffic is at.

September is the beginning of Veteran Suicide Prevention Month and is an opportunity for us to start making an impact on reducing veteran suicide that occurs. It's also a great opportunity for us to get some additional members.

The Commander Called on Kevin Owens to make a report on how we could fund the event. Kevin commented, before this meeting, the American Legion Foundation had a meeting. We passed a grant request for \$7000 to fund the booth. So there will be no cost to the Department to alleviate anybody's worried about money coming out of budgets and all that at this point.

Kevin remarked, Cory will write the Grant request, send it to him for signature, give to Flynn, and then cut a check to the people with the contract. Then reimburse the Department for any expenses that occur up to that point.

Don Weber commented, with this opportunity, with the recruiting opportunity that we have, there have been some people who have been talking about charging a \$20 fee for the first year in membership in the American Legion. If we did that, that would allow us to pay the National per Capita to keep a \$1.54 for the Department, and we would have people at the event where we could place people directly into the posts. This concept would be the equivalent of the post receiving an encumbered person from DMS.

Flynn commented that they'd know that it'll be 40 bucks the next year / whatever the post dues are.

Don Weber remarked, and, and we will make sure the tent is staffed with people who know where the active posts are for all of the people that are attending, and we will follow up with them after the event to make sure the post has direct contact with everyone that we bring in through this event.

Larry Wittmayer replied that we need to make sure the post realizes. They're getting these people at no additional revenue.

Don Weber replied that's the concept of them receiving them as an encumbered membership edition.

Don Weber called on Dan Burks to make a motion. **Dan Burks makes the Motion** to take the Department: \$20 per member for the first-year membership in the American Legion.

Andy Millar seconds the Motion.

Discussion:

Rob Liebenow, I think we've got to make sure that anyone signing up needs to understand this is a one-time year paying,. They will be put into their local and next year, and they'll pay dues will go up.

He questioned how we would treat crossing boundaries like Aloha and Hillsboro, ask the member where they want to belong? Don commented yes. He hoped that there would be people from both posts to talk about the activities of those posts.

Larry Wittmayer commented that Dan needs to modify his Motion, so it says explicitly for this membership year.

Gene Hellickson states there has to be a vote to modify the Motion.

Andy Millar made the Motion to modify his Motion, "Adding the Membership year 2022," to accept a \$20.00 Membership fee for new members recruited at the PIR event. Larry Wittmayer seconds. Hearing no discussion. Roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote
2021-2022

<input type="checkbox"/> _Y_	District 1	Commander	Lou Neubecker
<input type="checkbox"/> _Y_	District 2	Commander	Juan Palacios
<input type="checkbox"/> _Y_	District 3	Commander	John Morford
<input type="checkbox"/> _NA	District 4	Commander	David Applegate
<input type="checkbox"/> _NA	District 5	Commander	Lance Trowbridge
<input type="checkbox"/> _NA	District 6	Commander	Glenn Bradley
<input type="checkbox"/> _Y_	District 7	Commander	James Moriarty
<input type="checkbox"/> _NA	District 8	Commander	Ed Mathews
<input type="checkbox"/> _NA	District 9	Commander	Larry Hill
<input type="checkbox"/> _Y_	District 10	Commander	Daniel Burks
<input type="checkbox"/> _Y_	1 st Vice	Commander	Larry Wittmayer
<input type="checkbox"/> _Y_	2 nd Vice	Commander	Cory Brockmann
<input type="checkbox"/> _Y_	Department Finance Officer		Bob Huff
<input type="checkbox"/> _Y_	Immediate Past Dept. Cmdr.		Steve Adams
<input type="checkbox"/> _Y_	National Executive Committeeman		Andy Millar

There are 10 yes votes, 0, no votes—the **Motion to modify carries.**

Don Weber states we will now bring forward the Motion to approve the \$20 membership fee for the 2022 year.

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<input type="checkbox"/> _Y_	National Executive	Committeeman	Andy Millar

10 yes votes , 0 no votes, the Motion to approve the \$20 membership fee for the 2022 year.

The Commander discussed the PIR tickets and event plans for the weekend event. There was a question on service officer attending, LouNeubeck said Jody would not be attending. Flynn will order business cards for both service officers for handing out at the event.

He commented on the good work Kiezer post 17 is doing and the day after the PIR event the National Commander will arrive and take him around the state. The time for the Color Guard to be there needs firmed up. He explained the Van Service Schedule for the event. , No further

questions were asked the Commander adjourned the meeting.

Don Weber declared this meeting of the Department of Oregon executive meeting adjourned.

Submitted

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "S. Flynn Phillips". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "S" and a long, sweeping underline.

S. Flynn Phillips

Adjutant