

VFW Pacific Beach Post 5985 Minutes April 10, 2025

Officer Roll Call:

- **Commander:** Mike Hill
- **Sr Vice Commander:** Skyler Gossman **Junior Vice Commander:** Rob Thomas
- **Quartermaster:** Gabe Rowin **Chaplain:** Rick Derflinger
- **1st Year Trustee:** Bill Marsh **2nd Year Trustee:** Mike Dodson
- **3rd Year Trustee:** Ed Mateer **Adjutant:** Ellen Citrano (excused)
- **Service Officer:** Joey McEvoy (excused) **Judge Advocate:** Donovan Morris (excused)
- **Surgeon:** Jeremiah Simmons **Sergeant-at-Arms:** Travis Methvin (excused)
- **Guest Members:** Paula Jansen, Corey Blount

Meeting Call to Order

- Officer roll call and attendee membership verification
- Pledge of Allegiance, meeting mission, charter, minutes

Total Membership

<u>Total Members:</u> 276 +4	<u>Goal:</u> 100%	<u>Expiting</u> 15 -11	
<u>Last Year:</u> 276	<u>Last Month:</u> 98.55%	<u>Life Members</u> 225 +0	
<u>Since July 2023</u> 65 New	<u>Good Stand</u> 286 -9	<u>Since July 2024</u> 24 New +1	<u>UnPaid:</u> 37 +8

Need 6 more by July 2025 as a goal.

1 application submitted, review and approved by members in attendance.

Name: Richard Jack (DOB 1970) Branch of Service: NAVY

Service Officer and Chaplain Report:

- Chuck Caskey Vehicle Donation Update
- Deceased Veteran Spouse Assistance
 - Unanimously approved up to \$1000 for veteran relief

The House Committee Report:

- Commander Update on Canteen Projects
- House voted to allow Post Surgeon to begin low-cost fitness classes for membership onsite with a part of the proceeds donated to our veteran relief fund

Youth Development and Scouting Committee Report:

- Skyler Gossman update on JROTC.
 - Unanimously approved up to \$600 JROTC award

All-American/State Reporting Committee:

- Status update given by Quartermaster Gabe Rowin

Quartermaster Report:

Quartermaster (Salute) "The Quarterly Report has been submitted to the Trustees"

Post Operations BoA Checking and Savings Accounts

- Post 5985 Operations – 2146 **\$3,201.62** Prior Meeting: **\$6,150.24**
- VFW 5985 Savings– 2706 **\$10,000.00** Prior Meeting: **\$20,000.00**

Post Schaub Investments Portfolio – 834

\$927,080.00 Prior Meeting: **\$936,745.90**

Major Bills Paid Since Last Meeting:

- Q3 Sales Tax (Canteen Funds) **\$3289**
- Bar Face Project (Canteen Funds) **\$5000**
- Post Hop T-Shirts **\$800**
- National Day of Service Materials and T-Shirts **\$250**

Upcoming Expenses:

- Patio Build **\$11000**
- Kitchen Refrigerator **\$2581**

Post Operations BoA Checking and Savings Accounts

- Post 5985 Canteen Operations – 2133 **\$8,865.79** Prior Meeting: **\$9,123.22**
- Post 5985 Canteen Savings– 2159 **\$11,995.86** Prior Meeting: **\$18,457.31**

Canteen Net Sales

- Canteen March Sales: **\$15,338.72** Prior Month: **\$15,189.79**
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Unfinished Business

Patio Build Project On hold for bids

- VFW Membership unanimously voted to approve \$12,000 at the March 2025 meeting
 - Recommend to VFW a budget of \$7,000 for materials and \$5,000 for labor costs.
 - Awaiting design submissions and bids from 4 individuals. Daniel, Jeff, and Steven
 - Doug to meet with these to let them know what is needed

Canteen Bartender Station Project On hold due to vender (Pepsi) negotiation stall

- **\$8000 for the two-station upgrade**
 - Research was conducted by the Canteen Manager and staff
 - \$4442 for hardware install and haul away
 - Additional \$3500 estimated for demo and Pepsi hookups
 - Funding will come from the Canteen Savings Account Surplus

Kitchen Refrigerator Replacement

- **Committee motion made by Facility** to increase Commercial Kitchen Refrigerator budget by \$600 not to exceed \$2600 **Motion was unanimously approved**

New Business

Canteen Soffit Project

- **Committee motion made by the Facility** to approve soffit project not to exceed \$3,500 **Motion was unanimously approved**

Officer Elections:

- QM to purchase any new or re-positioned Post Officers business cards and name badge
- DD214s must be provided to the Post Adjutant at installation if not already on file
- **Elected Officers:**
 - **Commander:** Mike Hill
 - **Senior Vice Commander:** Skyler Gossman
 - **Junior Vice Commander:** Rick Derflinger (by written ballot)
 - **Quartermaster:** Gabe Rowin
 - **1 Year Trustee:** Donovan Morris
 - **2 Year Trustee** is Bill Marsh and **3 Year Trustee** is Mike Dodson
- **Election Report Appointed Officers**
 - Adjutant: Travis Methvin (and Sergeant-at-Arms)
 - Service Officer: Sydney Encinias
 - Chaplain: Rick Derflinger (Temp)
 - Judge Advocate: Chuck Caskey
 - Surgeon: Jeremiah Simmons
- **House Committee**
 - Primary Voting Members: Rob Thomas, Chuck Caskey and Travis Methvin
 - Secondary Member: Skyler Gossman, Rick Derflinger and TBD
- **Marcom Committee**
 - Chairman: Sydney Encinias Co-Chair Travis Methvin
- **Youth Development and Scouting Committee**
 - Chairman: Dave Norton (Scout/JROTC) Co-Chair: Skyler Gossman (PP/VoD)
- **Buddy Poppy Committee**
 - Chairman: Ellen Citrano
- **Membership Committee**
 - Chairman: Gabe Rowin Co-Chair: Ellen Citrano
- **Community Service (Reporting) Committee**
 - Chairman: Gabe Rowin Co-Chair: Rick Derflinger

Installation Ceremony

- Install Officer: VFW Dept of CA Jr Vice Commander **Paula Jansen**

Good of the Order

- **Guest Speaker:** VFW Dept of CA Jr Vice Commander Paula Jansen
- **VFW Post Hop April 19th 2025**
 - Sign-up sheet
- **VFW Day of Service Saturday, May 3rd 2025**
 - Beach Cleanup organized by VFW Sergeant-at-Arms Travis Methvin
 - Sign-up sheet

National Prayer and Closing Prayer read

No further business noted, meeting adjourned.

- Adjourned at 20:15, Next Post meeting on 5/8/25 at 18:00.