



POST #216  
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**Adjutant Notes – Executive Committee Meeting – Milford POST 216**

**Commander Cherf called the meeting to order at 18:00 on Tuesday, 20-October-2015.**

**ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:**

<b>Title</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Excused</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Commander</b>	<b>Rich Cherf</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Senior Vice Commander</b>	<b>John Schimetz</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Junior Vice Commander</b>	<b>Jerry Guest</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Adjutant</b>	<b>Dennis Dobransky</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Finance Officer</b>	<b>Ray Williams</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Chaplain</b>	<b>Tom Kemper</b>		<b>X</b>	
<b>Historian</b>	<b>Vacant</b>			
<b>Sergeant-at-Arms</b>	<b>Ed Merritt</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Exec. Committee</b>	<b>John Robinson</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Exec. Committee</b>	<b>Robert Matheson</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Exec. Committee</b>	<b>Sam Poel</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Exec. Committee Aux</b>	<b>Cathy Merritt</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Exec. Committee SAL</b>	<b>Mike McDonnell</b>		<b>X</b>	

**New Business:** Commander Cherf advised he met this afternoon with an insurance agent representing an insurance carrier, Michigan Millers Mutual (MMM), for the purpose of reviewing a submitted insurance proposal to compare against a proposal submitted by the Post's current carrier, Conifer Insurance. The proposals were also reviewed by Finance Officer Williams and Adjutant Dobransky. While comparative in pricing, the MMM proposal does not include Director and Officer liability coverage, an important coverage that should be carried by the Post. Also, the MMM proposal has a deductible of twice the current deductible, and limits and sub-limits that are only half of the current policy with Conifer. Based on the foregoing, the board decided to continue insurance coverage as written via Conifer Insurance.

Dobransky informed the Board of correspondence received from Department that National has increased membership dues by \$5, and that Department may also vote to increase dues by \$5, meaning total fees to be submitted will be \$39.50. If dues are to be increased then the Post Adjutant must advise Department December 4, 2015. However, this cannot occur, as our Post By-Laws do not allow for a dues increase prior to our March meeting. This item will be continued as old business up until our March meeting. Dobransky will include this topic in his mass mailing related to Officer elections, and the schedule of the next year's meeting dates.



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A letter was received from State Representative Jim Runestad's office advising of several booklets available to our Post, to include Veteran related services. We agreed to contact his office by return correspondence order form requesting 30 of these booklets, to be provided to us at no cost.

E. Merritt brought up a concern that non-officer and non-board members are receiving emails related to Post financial reports. It was agreed only Executive Board members will receive this type of email report from Financial Officer Williams.

**Old Business:** Commander Cherf reminded us of the upcoming WWII veterans' dinner to be held on December 7. He asked that Jr. Vice, Jerry Guest, become directly involved to help coordinate the event with parties involved. A poster will need to be created to advertise the event. The Post has already agreed to provide up to \$800 for food and the Chiffon Sisters singing group. Meijer has already been solicited to donate food, per Commander Cherf. However, volunteers will be needed to assist during the day of the dinner.

A Gmail account is being set up for use by Post officers, complete with a member's group list, and is being worked on by Cathy Merritt.

A Facebook page for the Post may be created for use by the Post.

Adjutant Dobransky is still looking for a volunteer to record the meetings, then have the recorder mailed to him, and Dobransky will type the minutes prior to the next meeting. Will need someone for 3 months.

Still looking to hang Post awards and plaques for viewing by all, but this will not occur until after the hall has been painted. The Board agreed that a motion will need to be made at the General Membership meeting to allow for the purchase of paint for volunteers to paint the hall.

Williams advised that the young man from Lakeland High School, who was selected to receive a \$1,000 scholarship check, still has not come forward to attend one of our meetings. Until this occurs, the check is being held in abeyance.

The meeting ended at 18:55. Date of the next meeting yet to be determined.