



American Legion

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Post 407 Meeting Sat 18 Mar 23

There was not a quorum when we began today, but 16th District West Zone Cdr, Richard "Breeze" Britton, made a visit so we invited him to lead our meeting. (Our Cdr, Allen Lawrence, was unable to attend due to failing health.) We did have another member arrive after the meeting started. Members present were: Adjutant Dennis O'Leary; Sgt-at-Arms Raul Romero; Hubmaster Martin Lawrence and member Manny Romero. Meeting was from 1000 to 1200 hrs.

Items discussed were many, among them were:

How we conduct our meeting; whether we should try to use "zoom" in the future; fundraising; thank you messages to our VietNam vets in our Post; membership; if members wore the Legion hat and our continued support and sponsorship to Zavala Elementary School.

1. Motion was made by Raul Romero and seconded by Manny Romero for Martin to purchase poppies (no more than \$100) to sell to raise funds for the Post. Motion passed.
2. Consensus was for Martin to set up a zoom meeting to allow other members of Post to join in our meetings in the future.
3. When out in the community talk about the great organization that is the American Legion. (Wear the Legion hat when doing any veteran-based activities.)
4. Adjutant will form a message to send to our fellow VietNam vets in Post 407. (As of 2017, President Trump designated 29 March to be National VietNam Veterans Day.)
5. Continue the sponsorship of Zavala Elem School by donating school supplies and Christmas gifts and other assistance as the needs arise.
6. Martin volunteered to be Oratorical Chairman. Richard Breeze offered to provide any assistance in this endeavor.

Adjutant Dennis O'Leary
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