

**Sons of the American Legion  
Detachment of Alabama  
Post-Convention DEC Meeting Minutes  
Saturday, June 17th, 2017**

Meeting Called to Order at 2:30pm by Commander Miles

Invocation by Thomas Glander

Opening Ceremonies

**Roll Call:**

Commander: Blair Miles

Vice Commanders:

Area 1: Jeremy Blevins

Area 2: Frank Birdyshaw

Area 3: Jeff McNair

Area 4: David Duffey

Area 5: Aaron Phillips

Adjutant/ Finance Officer: Andrew Cherry

NEC: Thomas Glander

Alt. NEC: Vacant

Chaplain: Vacant

Sargent-at-Arms: Willie Dupree

Sargent-at-Arms II: Taylor Cowan

Past Detachment Commander: Jeff Gibson

Past Detachment Commander: Steve Bowling

Past Detachment Commander: Buddy Miller

**Guests**

Noah Blevins, Squadron 9

Jeff McDaniel, Adjutant Squadron 5

**Unfinished Business:**

Commander Miles stated that delegates for National Convention must be submitted soon. Anyone planning on going to National Convention needs to tell NEC Glander so names can be submitted.

Commander Miles requested that Sargent-at-Arms Willie Dupree help Sargent-at-Arms II Taylor Cowan learn the duties of the Sargent-at-Arms.

Commander Miles stated that if you wish to serve on a National Committee you need to let NEC Glander know and submit a Bio no later than the 2018 Mid-Winter Conference.

Commander Miles stated that PDC Gibson will be graduating from NMI next spring. If you have aspirations of climbing in the Detachment above Vice Commander, he suggests that you throw your name in the hat for NMI. NMI is a 3 year school and will have \$350 to \$400 out of pocket cost each year.

## **New Business:**

Commander Miles made appointments for Judge Advocate, Historian, Assistant Adjutant, Alternate NEC, and Committee/Commissions, as summarized below.

### Appointed Officers:

Judge Advocate:	Buddy Miller
Historian:	Jeff Gibson
Assistant Adjutant:	Steve Bowling
Alternate NEC:	Jeff Gibson

### Committee/Commission:

#### Americanism:

Chairman:	Steve Bowling
Vice Chairman:	Ron Haygood
Members:	Taylor Cowan, Tom Glander, Squad. Commanders &/or Adjutants

#### Membership:

Chairman:	Aaron Phillips
Members:	Area Vice Commanders, Squadron Commanders and/or Adjutants

#### VA&R:

Chairman:	Thomas Glander
Members:	Buddy Miller, Squadron Commanders and/or Adjutants

#### Convention and Activities:

Chairman:	Blair Miles
Vice Chairman:	Willie Dupree

#### Constitution and By-Laws:

Chairman:	Buddy Miller
Members:	All Detachment Officers

#### Finance:

Chairman:	Andrew Cherry
3 year:	Jeff Gibson
2 year:	Jeremy Blevins
2 year:	Steve Bowling
1 year:	Willie Dupree

Adjutant Cherry requested that all Detachment Officers make sure he has their correct telephone numbers and address. Officers requiring a new hat needs to provide the Adjutant with their hat size.

## **Good of the SAL:**

Donations collected for the Widows Luncheon program was \$163.00.

The SAL is welcome to attend any of the classes at Department Leadership in September.

Veteran's Retreat meeting is the last Thursday of the month, June 29<sup>th</sup>.

The Detachment will be providing condiments and slaw for the Veteran's Retreat.

Commander Miles stated that he would have a conference call to determine the date, time, and location for the Officer training (Workshop).

Adjutant/ Finance Officer Cherry stated that expense reports must be in no later than 13 days from today, June 30<sup>th</sup>. He has supplies, forms and brochures, if needed.

Commander Miles presented Advisor Matt Gaff with a Certificate of Appreciation for service as the 2016-2017 SAL Advisor.

Benediction by Thomas Glander.

Meeting Adjourned by Commander Gibson at 3:05 pm.