

**Sons of the American Legion  
Detachment of Alabama  
Pre-Convention DEC Meeting Minutes  
Friday, June 16th, 2017**

Meeting Called to Order at 5:00 pm by Commander Gibson

Invocation by Thomas Glander.

Opening Ceremonies

**Roll Call:**

Commander: Jeff Gibson

Vice Commanders:

Area 1: Jeremy Blevins

Area 2: Frank Birdyshaw

Area 3: Jeff McNair

Area 4: David Duffey - Absent, Excused

Area 5: Aaron Phillips

Adjutant/ Finance Officer: Andrew Cherry

NEC: Thomas Glander

Alt. NEC: Blair Miles

Chaplain: Terry Robinsky - Absent, Excused

Historian: Taylor Cowan

Judge Advocate: Buddy Miller

Sargent-at-Arms: Willie Dupree

Sargent-at-Arms II: John Burke - Absent, Excused

Assistant Adjutant/Past Detachment Commander: Steve Bowling

SAL Advisor: Matt Gaff

**Guests**

Noah Blevins, Squadron 9

Ken Nichols, Dual member Post 88, Department Boy Scout Committee Chairman

**Minutes of prior meeting:**

Motion to suspend reading of the minutes, since they have been published, was made by Thomas Glander, second by Blair Miles, motion passed.

**Unfinished Business:**

Adjutant Andrew Cherry went over the Nominating Committee nominees of candidates for Detachment Officers and the Detachment Officers that are appointed by Commander.

Nominating Committee nominees:

Commander: Blair Miles  
Vice Commander Area 1: Jeremy Blevins  
Vice Commander Area 2: Frank Birdyshaw  
Vice Commander Area 3: None  
Vice Commander Area 4: David Duffey  
Vice Commander Area 5: Aaron Phillips  
Finance Officer: Andrew Cherry  
Chaplain: None  
Sargent-at-Arms: Willie Dupree  
Sargent-at-Arms II: None

Appointed Detachment Officers:

Judge Advocate  
Historian  
Adjutant  
Assistant Adjutants (as needed)

**New Business:**

Motion to approve the Uniform Code of Procedures for Convention made by Thomas Glander, second by Buddy Miller, motion passed.

**Good of the SAL:**

Ken Nichols, Department Boy Scout Committee Chairman, did presentation on the American Legion Boy Scout program. He stated that this Legion program is almost non-existent in Alabama and efforts are underway to get it revitalized. He would like to see the American Legion Family (Legion, Auxiliary, Sons and Riders) appoint members for a team in each District.

SAL Advisor Matt Gaff congratulated the Detachment on membership.

Benediction by Thomas Glander.

Meeting Adjourned by Commander Gibson at 5:20 pm.