

**Sons of the American Legion  
Detachment of Alabama  
Spring DEC Meeting Minutes  
Saturday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

Meeting Called to Order at 10:02 am by Commander Miles

Invocation by Mark Fronduti

Opening Ceremonies

**Roll Call:**

Commander: Blair Miles

Vice Commanders:

Area 1: Jeremy Blevins

Area 2: Vacant

Area 3: Jeff McNair

Area 4: David Duffey

Area 5: Aaron Phillips

Adjutant/ Finance Officer: Andrew Cherry

NEC: Thomas Glander

Alt. NEC: Jeff Gibson

Chaplain: Mark Fronduti

Historian: Jeff Gibson

Judge Advocate: Buddy Miller

Sargent-at-Arms: Willie Dupree

Sargent-at-Arms II: Taylor Cowan

Assistant Adjutant/Past Detachment Commander: Steve Bowling

SAL Advisor: Jeremy Blevins

**Guests:**

Joshua Ginther, Commander Squadron 133

Steven Jillson, Adjutant Squadron 135

Ernest Inman, Commander Squadron 9

**Minutes of prior meeting:**

Motion to suspend reading of minutes, since they have been published made by Tom Glander, second by Willie Dupree, motion passed.

**Officer Reports:**

Commander: Report given by Blair Miles

Area 1 Vice Commander: Report given by Jeremy Blevins

Area 2 Vice Commander: Vacant

Area 3 Vice Commander: Report given by Jeff McNair

Area 4 Vice Commander: Report given by David W. Duffey

Area 5 Vice Commander: Report given by Aaron Phillips

Motion to accept Commander and Vice Commander reports as read made by Jeff Gibson, second by Joshua Ginther, motion passed.

Finance Officer: Report given by Andrew Cherry

Motion to accept Finance Report, subject to audit, made by Buddy Miller, second by Jeff Gibson, motion passed.

NEC: Report given by Thomas Glander

Chaplain: Report given by Mark Fronduti

Historian: Report given by Jeff Gibson

Motion to accept the NEC, Chaplain and Historian reports as read made by Thomas Glander, second by David Duffey, motion passed.

Officer reports are on file with the Detachment Adjutant.

Adjourned for Committee/Commission meetings at 10:53 am.

Meeting reconvened at 11:30 am.

Vice Commander Duffey introduced guests Post 179 Commander Josephine Goudy and Squadron 179 Commander Dwayne Graham. Commander Miles presented the Squadron 179 Charter to Commander Graham and Commander Goudy.

#### **Committee/Commission Reports:**

**Membership:** Report given by Aaron Phillips

**Resolutions:** Report given by Buddy Miller.

Judge Advocate Miller read resolution from Squadron 88/Post 88 for Blair Miles to run for 2019-2020 National Vice Commander, Southern Region. It was pointed out that the resolution should state that Blair had completed NMI. Motion that the Detachment of Alabama endorse the resolution, subject to stated changes, made by Thomas Glander, second by Jeff Gibson, motion passed.

**VA&R:** Report given by Thomas Glander

**Finance:** Report given by Andrew Cherry.

Adjutant/Finance Officer Cherry presented the proposed 2018-2019 Budget for the Detachment of Alabama. Motion to approve the proposed 2018-2019 Budget for the Detachment of Alabama made by Thomas Glander, second by Buddy Miller, motion passed.

**Nomination:** Report given by Jeremy Blevins.  
Nominating Committee 2018-2019 Officer Candidates:

Commander	Blair Miles
NEC	Thomas Glander
Alternate NEC	Jeff Gibson
Vice Commander Area 1	
Vice Commander Area 2	
Vice Commander Area 3	Jeff McNair
Vice Commander Area 4	David Duffey
Vice Commander Area 5	Aaron Phillips
Finance Officer:	Andrew Cherry
Chaplain:	Mark Fronduti
Sgt-at-Arms 1:	Willie Dupree
Sgt-at-Arms 2:	Steven Jillson

**Convention:** Report given by Jeff Gibson

Motion to accept Committee/Commission reports as read made by Jeff Gibson, second by Taylor Cowan, motion passed.

Adjourned for lunch at 12:07 pm.

Meeting reconvened at 12:48 pm.

**Unfinished Business:** None

**New Business:** None

**Good of the SAL:**

NEC Glander suggested that the Detachment develop a generic new member packet that can be customized by the Squadrons.

Alt. NEC/Historian Jeff Gibson stated that he had a printout of veteran benefits available in Alabama.

Adjutant/Finance Officer Cherry reminded everyone that CWF donations and Consolidated Reports are due by the 1<sup>st</sup> of June. He also stated that there would not be a SAL office at the Department of Alabama Headquarters building. The Detachment should push the Ten Ideals and Five Star programs to the Squadrons.

Benediction by Thomas Glander.

Meeting Adjourned by Commander Miles at 1:19 pm.