



# American Legion 3<sup>rd</sup> District of Missouri Meeting Minutes

## **March 9, 2025 – Polo Memorial Post 557 Polo hosting**

3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Ed Weaverling proceeded to open the 3<sup>rd</sup> District Meeting at 15:05 HRS.

3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Ed Weaverling led salute to colors

3<sup>rd</sup> District Chaplin Dan Heiser gave the opening prayer

3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Ed Weaverling led the meeting in the POW/MIA Memorial

3<sup>rd</sup> District Sergeant-at-Arms Bruce Jelinek gave the POW/MIA Dedication for F. Hess JR..

3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Ed Weaverling led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance and reciting of the Preamble.

3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Ed Weaverling welcomed everyone to the 3<sup>rd</sup> District Meeting.

3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Ed Weaverling thanked Post 557 for filling in to host the 3<sup>rd</sup> District meeting after the accident to the Post in Excelsior Springs.

3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Ed Weaverling invited the Excelsior Springs Post Commander to talk about the recent accident at the Post.

3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Ed Weaverling officially opened the 3<sup>rd</sup> District Meeting.

3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Ed Weaverling found no guests present to introduce.

3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Ed Weaverling asked 3<sup>rd</sup> District Adjutant Robert Emery to call the roll of Posts.

3<sup>rd</sup> District Adjutant Robert Emery reported that there were eight (8) Posts present and found there was a quorum present.

Posts – 61, 95, 97, 236, 237, 285, 557, and 626

3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Ed Weaverling said since the minutes of the last 3<sup>rd</sup> District Meeting had been sent out via e-mail and posted to the 3<sup>rd</sup> District website he would entertain a motion to accept the minutes as published.

Motion was made to accept minutes as posted. Motion seconded and motion passed.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Finance Report:** 3<sup>rd</sup> District Finance Officer Calvin Bumgarner gave the following report:

Savings Account (Bank Midwest) \$3,991.30

Checking Account (Bank Midwest) \$2,256.47

Withdrawals

\$650.00 - Check # 1140 Ed Weaverling

\$100.00 - Check # 1139 Calvin Bumgarner

\$100.00 – Check # 1138 Hosting 3<sup>rd</sup> District Meeting Post 237



Checking Account Final Balance \$1,507.47

Deposits:

Per Capita payments from Posts 343,38, 237, 487 \$2,357.47

Savings Account Final Balance \$3990.63

Total Balances \$5,498.10

3rd District Commander Ed Weaverling talked about Per Capita tax in funding the 3<sup>rd</sup> District.

3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Ed Weaverling said he would entertain a motion to accept the finance report as given.

A motion to accept the finance report as given was made. The motion was seconded and the motion passed

**Commanders Report: (SOAPBOX)**

3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Ed Weaverling talked about the following:

Department cost savings plan to reduce mailing costs.

**HELP** individuals and Posts

**Department Convention:**

3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Ed Weaverling talked about the following items:

The three (3) Department Convention Committees the 3<sup>rd</sup> District provides a one hundred (\$100) dollar stipend for representing the 3<sup>rd</sup> District.

Post Per Capita that is for helping support the 3<sup>rd</sup> District at the rate of one (\$1.00) dollar per paid member.

3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Ed Weaverling said bills were sent out September 1<sup>st</sup> and payment was due November 1<sup>st</sup>. The Osborn Post had turned in its charter and that had been accepted.

Important forms that need to be submitted to Department:

Post Data Report

Post Consolidated Report

Post and District elections.

Post Certification of Post Officials – required to receive new years membership cards

The 3 Year membership payment program was working well

The upcoming Truman Pilgrimage.

**National Commanders project:**

**BE THE ONE and Buddy Checks**

**Be The One** suicide prevention hotline dial 988 then 1

The Missouri Suicide Prevention Team is available for free suicide prevention training its not just for veterans. It was also good PR for Posts.

3<sup>rd</sup> District TRIADE –recruiting/retention – wellness checks, Buddy Checks, and Suicide Prevention.

Department of Missouri was holding its initial Department Legion College session

Children and Youth programs

Youth Government Day



Cadet Patrol was up and running once  
Missouri Boys State and Missouri Girls State is looking for volunteers to help out and  
visitors are welcome.

Department Historian Position is open and is seeking qualified applicants to fill the  
position.

Membership

**Old Business: none to be acted upon**

**New Business: none to be acted upon**

**Good of the American Legion: NO REPORT**

3<sup>rd</sup> District Chaplin Dan Heiser gave the closing prayer.

3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Ed Weaverling closed the meeting at 16:09 HRS

Submitted by:

Robert C. Emery  
3<sup>rd</sup> District Adjutant

Approved by:

Ed Weaverling  
3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander