



# American Legion 3rd District of Missouri Meeting Minutes

## **September 22, 2024 – Jarchow Schroeder Post 61 Kansas City hosting**

3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Ed Weaverling introduced Alex Slocum Candidate for Senior Vice Commander 2025 to the 3<sup>rd</sup> District Meeting attendees. Alex Slocum talked about his service and asked the 3<sup>rd</sup> District for its support in 2025.

3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Ed Weaverling proceeded to open the 3<sup>rd</sup> District Meeting at 15:17 HRS.

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

Post 557 Chaplin gave the opening prayer

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

3rd District Sergeant-at-Arms Bruce Jelinek gave the POW/MIA Dedication to USS SCAMP (SS-277) and sunk 11NOV1944

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

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

3rd 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 four (4) Posts present and found there was a quorum present.

Posts – 61, 95, 285, 557

3rd 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 they would stand approved.

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

### **Commanders Report:**

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

Department cost savings plan to reduce mailing costs – so Post need to go online and download forms and information from the Department web site.

**HELP** individuals and Posts

### **Department Convention:**

DEC bylaws change so only one vote per person allowed

John Buckwalter Department Commander, Jerome Goolsby SR Vice Commander

Membership Goals for 2025 membership year have been set.

New American Legion National Commander elected James (JIM) LaCoursiere and toured ZONE 2



Membership

Work Post 1000 lists

**EVENTS:**

Department Fall Conference October 18<sup>th</sup> thru 20<sup>th</sup> in Jefferson City

3<sup>rd</sup> District Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in December at Griffith-Skiles Post 237 Richmond, MO

**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.

**COMMETTE REPORTS**

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

Savings Account (Bank Midwest) \$3990.12

Checking Account (Bank Midwest) \$2341.47

Deposits \$14

Withdraws \$100.00

Checking Account Final Balance \$2255.47

Savings Account Final Balance \$3990.12

Total Balances \$6245.59

3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Ed Weaverling reported Cadet Patrol had successfully completed its 2024 session after a few absent years.

Many questions about membership processing were asked and answered and offers of continued help given.

3<sup>rd</sup> District Adjutant Robert Emery talked about American Legion forms are available for downloading via the internet through the National and Department web sites as are weekly membership updates and Post Monthly Mailings.

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

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

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

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

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

Post 557 Chaplin gave the closing prayer.

3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Ed Weaverling closed the meeting at 16:11 HRS

Submitted by:

Robert C. Emery

Approved by:

Ed Weaverling

3<sup>rd</sup> District Adjutant



3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander