1 October 2026 American Legion Post 49 Membership Meeting Minutes

Upon completion of the opening ceremony, Cmdr Dargis called the Executive Committee meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Order of Business

Adjutant Roll Call: Attendees in Bold:Cmdr. Bob Dargis, 1st Vice Cmdr. Jason Turner, 2nd **Vice Cmdr Jim Addessi,** Adjutant Dan Thompson**, Finance Officer Sean Russell**, **Judge Advocate John Barkley, Sgt. at Arms Sieg Freitag**, **SAL Commander Steve Hamilton**, **Service Officer Jason Mayer**, Historian Jim McCloughan, **Trustee Dan Gomez**, Trustee Willie Reinhardt, **Trustee Chuck Aubrey**, Trustee Rick Ely, **Josh Gunneson, Trustee Amanda Jones**, **Ordnance Officer Jim Neely, Mike Andruch, Dan Lundgren, Dan Zwar, Stacy Bartholomew,** Auxiliary President Mary Fitzgerald, Club Manager Heather Hahn,, Auxiliary Chaplain Vicki Olson, **SAL member Paul Middleton,** Aux Member Linda Teeter, **Matt Graff,** Other members or guests ?
"Is quorum of 5 Legion members present ?"- YES

Review/approve Previous Meeting Minutes- 3 Sept 2026 - **Motion to approve by Aubrey, seconded and approved**

Draping Ceremony for Paul Helgeson conducted

Introduction of guests and awards- None

Business

1, Finance

-Account status: $ 190,566.91 vs. $174,281.08 Aug 2026 vs. $227,879.14 Sept 2025
-Quickbooks: $ 36,074.83 vs. $14,846.27 July 2026 vs. $24,723.89 AUG 2025
-Finance Report motion for approval.- **Motion by Barkley, seconded and approved**
-SAL funds available: $ Total $23,190.99
- Aux funds available: $ $32,000 approx.

2. Adjutant

-Membership report as of : 28 August 2026: 15 New, 47 PUFL, 279 Renewals, 1 Hdqtr. transfer for 342/680 = 50.29% goal for 9-10-26 met, next target 55% by 10-14-26.
-Circulated 6 new member applications, **motion to approve new members and Adjutant's report by Aubrey, seconded and approved.**

3. Service Officers report: Rifle raffle report: $3,190 Gross sales, less $1,175 costs = $2,015 net profit. Thank you Jason.

4. Club Facilities and Operations Committee

Estimates for replacement AC Compressor for kitchen were reviewed, spreadsheet provided by John Barkley : Currently 3 options: 1) Replace compressor only, 2) Complete AC system, 3) AC system plus furnace. **On motion of John Barkley, members approved Lampher Bid, Replace A/C system only, no furnace, $7475.**

- Breakfast 9/27 served 182, $2,477 in net revenue, $115 in tips allocated to purchase of chairs,
- Dan Thompson's instructions for bartenders re: membership applications was presented.
- Nov and Dec Exec meetings canceeld due to Thanksgiving and New Years, BUT, if urgent need to meet a meeting will be called at the appropriate time
- Brush Enterprises, 1400 Kalamazoo st., recently did an Oil Change on our van for free, please patronize them, if you need any trailer / tractor or truck repairs ***Please consider Patronizing them***
- Micron stock sale of 10 shares at $1,044 per share vs original donation transfer price of $100

per share.
- New ATM was recently installed
-West Slider door was recently insulated per club manager.

5. AL Events

- 2 Oct-AL Pizza Night, last of the year, volunteers ?
- **8 Oct**-Al Post 49 Honor Guard support for A/F Veteran Johnnie Mines 1315 at Monks Cemetery, Bangor. The bus will leave Post 49 at 1235.
-9 Oct- Veterans Resource fair at post 49 4-7 PM
-**10Oct**-Al Post 49 Honor Guard support for Army Veteran Charles Wishart 12:30 PM at Fennville City Cemetery. The bus will leave Post 49 at 1140.
-13Oct-Navy Birthday,
-22Oct-Allegan Co VA Standdown 10-1300 @First Baptist Church,1290 M40, Allegan
-25Oct-AL Breakfast
-10Nov- Marine Corps Birthday,
-11Nov- Veterans Day, 3 volley salute/taps at Glenn school 12noon.The bus will leave Post 49 at 1130. Senior rehab center after ?
-14Nov-Post 49 Salute to Dan Farmer at 1500 Service (visitation from 1200-1500), Peace Lutheran Church, South Haven. The bus will leave Post 49 at 1430.
-15Nov- Al Post 49 Honor Guard support for Navy Veteran Paul Helgeson as part of Celebration of Life at TBD time.
-22Nov- Larry Carlson Memorial Thanksgiving Dinner
- 7Dec- Pearl Harbor Day Salute 1230 at Post 49

6. **SAL Events:**
Battle Creek Vet Hospital Trivia night Columbus Day October 12, 2026

7. Aux Events:
Kids Xmas party 12/12/26 11am to 1 pm.

Old Business

New Business
Dan Lundgren will be holding voter registration 8 am to 12 pm this sunday

Additional Business
Honor Guard long sleeve shirt and ties now in effect.

Sick call:

Communication & Donation Announcements (to/from AL).
None
Next meetings
-Membership Mtg 1900 5 Nov 2026, 7:00 pm
-Exec Comm/Club Operations Mtg **1630** 29 Oct 2026 **(Nov and Dec cancelled)**

2026 Holidays and Observances
October: Oct 13 – Navy Birthday, Oct 26 – National Day of the Deployed, Oct 31 - Halloween
November: Nov 3 - Election Day, Nov 10 – Marine Corps Birthday, Nov 11 – Veterans Day, Nov 21- Larry Carlson Memorial Thanksgiving Dinner, Nov 26 - Thanksgiving Day

December: Dec 7 – Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, Dec 13 – National Guard Birthday, Dec 20 – Space Force Birthday, Dec 20 – National Wreaths Across America Day, Dec 25 - Christmas Day, New Years Eve - Dec 31.

Any further action to come before this meeting ?- none

Closing ceremony

Upon completion of the closing ceremony, Commander Dargis declared the meeting adjourned at 7:26 pm,

Respectfully Submitted,

Bob Dargis, for Daniel Thompson
Post Adjutant