



American Legion

Department of Wisconsin

8th District Caucus

Meeting Agenda

Department Convention – Middleton, WI

July 16 – 2nd Day

1. 8th District Commander Jim Young called the meeting to order at 0730hrs. The colors being in place, a hand salute was rendered. The acting Chaplain gave an opening prayer. The POW/MIA ceremony was followed by the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and the Preamble to the American Legion Constitution.
2. Commander Young declared the caucus convened and introduced the guests present.
3. The Adjutant took the roll and it was determined that there was a quorum.
4. Old Business:

- a. Commander Young reminded all Post Commanders to submit updated 2016-2017 Officer and Committee reports to the County, District and Department.
- b. He then reminded the Ballot Clerks of their assignments.
- c. Commander Young called for the Committee Reports. Jim Jaeger gave a report on the Constitution Amendments meeting; Kathy Ghorst gave a report on the Legislative Committee meeting; Arien Herminath gave a report on the Finance Committee meeting; Dan Rindt gave a report on VA&R Committee meeting.
- d. Commander Young asked for bids for the 2017 8th District Spring Conference. Manawa Post 226 placed a bid to host the May 2017 Spring Conference. The bid was seconded and approved. New London Post 263 offered to look into hosting the 2016 8th District Fall Conference. After some discussion Jim Jaeger said he would look into hosting the conference at Bean City near New London. There was also some discussion about doing away with holding joint Legionaire/Auxiliary Conferences due to the inability of many of our posts to host them.

5. New Business:

- a. Commander Young then confirmed that Jerry Krofta would chair the 8th District Americanism Committee, Kathy Ghorst the Legislative Committee, Jim Young the Camp American Legion Committee, Ron Fregien the Children and Youth Committee, Carla Porter the Membership Committee, Jim Young the National Security Committee, and Dan Rindt the VA&R Committee.

- b. As for Department-Level Committees, Jim Jaeger expressed interest in serving on the Children and Youth Committee, Ron Fregien on the Camp American Legion Committee, Jim Young on the Communications Committee, and Kathy Ghorst on the Policy Committee.

 - c. Commander Young reported that 8th District 2nd Vice Commander Pat Borchardt had resigned due to work requirements. It was mentioned that Jean Balz had agreed to step up and fill the vacant 2nd Vice Commander position. After a short discussion a motion was made and seconded to appoint Jean Balz to replace Pat Borchardt as 2nd Vice Commander. The motion passed.

 - d. Commander Young asked that any memberships be turned in.
6. There being no further business, the acting Chaplain gave a closing prayer, the POW/MIA flag was retired and there was a final salute to the colors. Commander Young then declared the Caucus adjourned at 08:15hrs.