

Evanston Post 42 Board Meeting Minutes 27 August 2026 Start time: 19:32

Members present: Christine Candelario, Jim Farley, Peter Koerner, Neil Franke, Mike Wojciechowski, Mike Carder, Larry Pahlke, Rory Lozano, Ian Darbyshire

Members absent: Greg Lisinski, Greg Wilson, David Madison, Billy Triphahn, Jim Brusek, Joe Jefferson

The meeting was called to order by Commander Koerner at _____ hrs.

Agenda Item	Role/person	Time	Report (due by Tuesday night of meeting)	Notes/next steps
Review and approve Last month's minutes	Peter Koerner	1 min	Minutes were provided by Ian Darbyshire. Motion to approve minutes by Jim Farley, seconded by Mike Wojciechowski. Motion passes.	
Membership Report	Peter Koerner	0 min	No Report.	
SR. Vice Report	Mike Carder	3 min	52.9% membership signed up currently. Additional funds will be received from division if 100% is reached.	
Jr. Vice Report	Mike Wojciechowski	5 min	Family Day Picnic was a success. All of the food was consumed, minimal leftovers. Excess is being removed from the kitchen. There was great weather, plenty of food, plenty of drinks, plenty of games and great music. Great volunteers. Valuable help with preparation and execution from the Civil Air Patrol, Troy, Phil and Ellen.	

			Donation received from Dr. Schulz Chiropractor.	
Finance Report	Jim Farley	3 min	The bar account has transferred funds to the investment account. The bar continues to financially support the post. Large expenses for the month due to insurance costs. Motion to approve financial report made by Christine Candelario, Seconded by Mike Wojciechowski. Motion passed.	
Service Officer Report	Joe Jefferson	5 min	Blood Drive exceeded 40 donors; very successful. I'm awaiting a follow-up report from Red Cross on overall results. It may go to David Madison. On behalf of Service Officer a donation was provided to call-in Indiana Veteran as part of storm relief. A donation was provided to Vet and family under financial stress due to storm damage and power outages. Conducted 6 nursing home visits to Vets at local nursing home/facilities. Currently in preliminary stages of preparing for a Thanksgiving meal for Vets and their families for November at Legion. Inform Service Officer of any veterans and or veterans' families in need of support or who are under medical distress.	
Evanston Post 42 Charitable Foundation, Inc.	Jim Brusek	0 min	No Report.	

Americanism	Mike Carder	1 min	All brochures for oratorical are online now. Candidates are needed.	
Children and Youth	Jim Brusek	0 min	No report.	
Club Room	Phil Cocco	5 min	The bar's health is good. LegionFest was extremely successful. August is a difficult month due to school beginning. September and October, the hall is booked solidly on the weekends. Large interest expressed by local bands to use the hall. Inquiries have been made to bring in alumni tailgate parties during the fall football season.	
Building/Development/Maintenance Committee Update	Jim Farley	15 min	Replacement ceiling fans have been purchased for the bar. Installation pending. 3 bids have been received for a lighting replacement plan for the legion hall. Maintenance committee will review and obtain a consensus before presenting advisement to the board. Motion made by Christine Candelario and Seconded by Mike Wojciechowski for the Maintenance committee to make a recommendation to the board on which contractor to utilize. Motion passed. Men's bathroom is going to be repaired imminently. Toilet and ceiling will be repaired. Bid has been obtained and found to be reasonable. Reimbursement will be received by the party that caused damage. Golf course has agreed to provide funds to offset energy costs for the last 2 months. Since	

			construction, it has not been clear which meter is the golf course's and which is the Post's.	
Shrapnel	Peter Koerner	0 min	No Report.	
SAL	David Madison	5 min	Membership: New Year has started, forms have arrived, will pre-pay and send out cards as we did last year. Jerry, Brian and I are due to meet shortly. Financial status: Good. Pancake Breakfast -- we have designated November 14th, will confirm with Phil. Wade Hudson, former 1st Division Commander has asked Squadron 42 and Post 42 to each donate 1 ticket. I believe the Post has already donated, we still need to submit. 41 Pints of blood were donated at the Blood Drive. ARC wants to do it again, provided possible dates: - Sunday, December 13th - Friday, December 18th - Monday, December 21st - Wednesday, December 30th - Thursday, December 31st	
Old Business	Open Jim Farley Mike Wojciechowski	4 min	No further official discussion has occurred about potential changes or future plans regarding the Evanston veterans' memorial. Catalina Grow's son, an Eagle Scout, has again brought up bringing in a kiosk for digital access to Veteran's Benefits to the post as part of a project.	

New Business	Open	15 min	Mr. Carder who runs the Chandler center has addressed that we may be obtaining the wrong permits for the south lawn. Meeting was held with Peter Koerner and Jim Farley and the Golf Course Board. More coordination needs to be improved to make sure that both organizations are aware of when they are planning large events or utilizing the south lawn to avoid inconveniencing each other and to coordinate moving forward. Phil Cocco will be the point of contact for obtaining permits for the south lawn through the park district moving forward. Legionnaire Mr. Trevizas from Post 108 passed away on Tuesday. Services will be announced. A Post 42 Legion Membership smartphone application development and future utilization will be pursued. The application will allow for a digital membership card.	
Sick Call	Open	1 min	Dave Fox	

For The Good of The Legion	Open Mike Carder Mike Carder Mike Wojciechowski Peter Koerner	10 min	Mailing from department wants to know if the post wants to receive all department information via email or physical mail. Only two departments participate in Gifts to the Yanks including ours. It will move forward in coordination with the Service Officer. Coolers will be stenciled with Legion identification to avoid getting lost. Lynn and Shadow will be honored for their service to the Post. Certificates and gifts will be presented.	.
Commander's Comments	Peter Koerner	5 min	Appreciation for the successful Family Day Picnic. After Action Report form presented for future planning and coordination for events.	

Suspense Items: None

Motion made to adjourn by Larry Palke seconded by Christine Candalario.

Meeting Adjourned at 20:50 hrs.