



The American Legion, Post 22
 Membership Meeting - Minutes
 January 21, 2026, at 1800.

- **Opening Ceremonies** (Commander) (6 P.M.).
 - Post and salute the Colors.
 - Chaplain offers prayer (remove cap)
 - POW/MIA empty chair (Sergeant-at-Arms)
 - Pledge of Allegiance (re-cover cap upon completion)
 - Recite Preamble of Constitution of The American Legion
 - Roll call to determine if quorum is present (min of 10 members): There were 21 members in attendance.

• Roll Call:	Present/Absent/Excused	
○ Commander (R. Skjoldal)	X	
○ 1 st Vice Commander (D. Dosch)	X	X
○ 2 nd Vice Commander (J. Haleakala)	X	
○ Adjutant (J. Miller)	X	
○ Finance Officer (D. Harris)	X	
○ Chaplain (G. Stanley)	X	X
○ Historian (K. Donnell)	X	
○ Sergeant-at-Arms (A. Anable)	X	X

- **Minutes** of previous meeting – Electronically posted on website:
<https://www.alpost22.com/mtg-minutes-etc> (Adjutant)
- **Introduction** of guests and prospective new members (Applicable host)
 - New members:
 - Tyler Abbott, US Army
 - Fred Ferrara, US Navy
 - Tony Gordon, USMC

- Tim Doorn, US Army
 - Guests:
 - District 2 Oratorical Winner Lewis Carlyle will present his prepared speech.
 - Presentation of “Big Check” for \$500 scholarship. (Harris)
 - Presentation
 - Plaque from Black Hills Veterans March
- **Financial Report (Harris) as of: 1/21/2026**
 - Business Account: \$
 - Membership Acct: \$ (Regular membership deposits/withdrawals).
 - Benevolence Acct: \$ (Deposit from Business Acct. of \$500).
 - Americanism Acct: \$ (Deposit from Business Acct. of \$500).
 - SAL Acct: \$ (Regular membership deposits/withdrawals).
 - Honor Guard: \$ (No Deposit; No Debits).
 - Riders Checking: \$
 - Riders Savings: \$
 - Scholarship Sav Acct: \$
 - Capital Improvements Savings: \$ (\$2,000 deposited from Business Acct., and \$894 from Queen of Hearts).
 - Presentation of Post 22 2025 donations to our community. This document can be found on our website: <https://www.alpost22.com/mtg-minutes-etc>
- **Executive Committee Meeting**
 - The meeting took place on January 17, 2026, at 0900.
 - Post 22 donated \$200 to the Pennington County Search and Rescue to put toward their new Command Post Van and \$100 to the Journey Museum for a new podium and guest sign-in book.
 - Post 22 will host the District 2 Meeting on 12 April.
- **Membership (Dosch/Harris):**
 - TAL 2026 **Goal is 563**
 - Renewals/new members to date: 503 for 89% of goal
 - Those members who have recruited new members:
 - **Doug Harris (4)**
 - **Lyle Tolsma (2)**

- **Randy Decker (2)**
 - **Don Fuller (1)**
 - **Ryan Skjoldal (1)**
 - **Lowell Dethlefs (1)**
 - **Jason Skala (1)**
 - **Tom Smith (1)**
 - Transfers in (10)
 - HQE transfers in (16)
- **2026 SAL Goal is 63:**
 - SAL renewals/new members of 54 for 86% of goal. 2026 SAL **Goal is 63:**
 - SAL renewals/new members of **54 for 86% of goal.**
- **AL Riders:**
 - Meeting January 22, 2026 @ 1830.
- **Honor Guard (Skjoldal):**
 - Meeting January 22, 2026 @ 1800.
- **SAL (J. Skala):**
 - Nothing to report.
- **Post 22 Auxiliary Report:**
 - Nothing to report.
- **Americanism (D. Harris):**
 - The District 2 Oratorical Contest took place on 4 January 2026 at SD Mines. Lewis Carlyle (representing Post 22) won at the District level and will be receiving at least \$500 in scholarship monies. Lewis will compete at the State level in Oacoma, SD (Midwinter) at 10 A.M on 22 February.
 - Registration for Boys State is now open. We currently have 5 boys signed up and I will be visiting local schools in February. If you know a Junior or Senior HS boy that should be attending, please let them know. Have them go to this website to sign up: southdakotaboysstate.org
- **Athletic Officer (Lyle Tolsma):**
 - Coach Kevin Torve will be stepping down and Post 22 Baseball Parent's Organization is hiring a new coach by the end of the month.
 - Baseball players will be selling season tickets to the games.

- 100 mph winds tore up the Post 22 baseball fields.
 - Local organizations and Rapid City officials will be fixing the fields.
- **Chaplain (G. Stanley):**
 - Deaths and Sick Call:
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 - Nothing to report.
 - Sick Call:
 - Cynthia Douglas – diagnosed w/cancer. Going through treatment.
 - Lyle Tolsma is sick.
 - Don Dosch is sick.
 - Tony Anable is sick.
- **Post Service Officer (H. Rossander):**
 - Nothing to report.
- **Old Business:**
 - Nothing to report.
- **New Business:**
 - Legionnaire of the Year Award
 - Nominees:
 - Lyle Tolsma, Post 22 Athletic Officer. (SDAL Athletic Commission Chairman).
 - Ed Mills motioned that we approve Lyle Tolsma’s nomination. Decker seconded. Motioned carried.
 - Mid-Winter Department Conference
 - 19-22 February
 - Oacoma, SD
 - Commander and Finance Officer will be attending on behalf of Post 22.
 - Legion Birthday
 - 3rd weekend of March
 - Post Everlasting
 - Same weekend as Legion Birthday

- Letter from Bill Peters. Bill is a candidate for State Commander.
- **Good of The American Legion** (Any member):
 - SALs selling Super Bowl Boards in the bar.
 - 40/8 Dart Tournament to support the Nurse's Scholarship program.
 - Queen of Hearts – tickets are available all week. Ticket is drawn on Friday night.
- **Adjournment** at 1858. A social hour followed.