

Minutes of the 22 June 2025 JWV Post 135 Meeting at The Holocaust Center

Senior Vice Commander Breshgold called the meeting to order at 10:01 AM. In attendance were Alan Agauas, Miles Berkow, Larry Berry, Michael Breshgold, David Cuttner, Julia Gendron, Paul Gould, Steven Haas, Adam Jacobs, Barry Kaufman, Tom Lebovic, Sid Lichter, Richard Polk, Joe Salzman, Lee Schostak, and Gene Shaffer. We each introduced ourselves. The Minutes of the 22 April 2025 meeting were approved, as previously sent to the membership, without reading or correction per approved motion.

QM Berry gave the QM report, noting that, as of 31 May 2025, the Post remained solvent with no known liabilities. He then reviewed our 2024-25 financial activities, the 2025-26 budget (which was approved), and that our Poppy Drive - our key fundraising source – was successful. He specifically thanked Ted Gittleman and Mike Breshgold for their hard work in assembling and sending the letters requesting donations. The penny collection drive was also mentioned. Gould requested that Berry cash received checks sooner. Since our last meeting, we had our annual, solemn Memorial Day ceremonies at Machpelah and Hebrew Memorial Cemeteries, participated in the Royal Oak Parade, and attended the Comerica Park Jewish Heritage Night outing and Budget Approval Meeting. Upcoming events mentioned were the JWV-MI Election and Installation immediately following the current Post meeting, the Shoot, Schmooze and BBQ event on 29 June, the July Fourth Parade in Oak Park for which we are to assemble at 10:00 AM. The next Post meeting is scheduled for 20 July. Contrary to past practice, the Post will meet in August, but due to the Jewish New Year holidays, not in September. Lebovic and Haas mentioned that your officers are currently attempting to clean up the Post's electronic data. You should have been notified of your data. Whether it is correct or not, you were strongly urged to respond to the Officer contacting you to determine whether your data is correct or not.

Our headcount is now 56 Members and nine Patrons. Breshgold then reviewed the recent ten and seven upcoming birthdates of Post 135 members. He reminded us to subscribe to the JWV-USA newsletter now from cbrown@jwv.org and that the Honor Guard needs members to honor our dead. Berry gave an update on the JWV-MI-Kaye Foundation scholarship, the details of which will be forthcoming soon. Berry also acknowledged membership longevity and distributed membership longevity pins. If you are eligible for a pin (new member, and for service of 5, 10, 15, etc years), do not have a pin and want one, contact Berry. He then supervised the photographing of some long-service members. Breshgold noted both the upcoming JWV-US Annual Meeting for 17-22 August and the need for additional convention delegates.

After a brief Good and Welfare session, during which Berry urged us all to send prayers to everyone getting into harm's way in Iran, Vice Commander Breshgold adjourned the meeting at 10:44 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Steven Haas, Adjutant