

**American Legion Auxiliary Winter Park Memorial Unit 112  
General Meeting Minutes**

**September 17, 2019**

The September 2019 general meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 112 was called to order at 7:04pm by President, Marge Berrios. The meeting was opened according to ritual.

Members in attendance included:

Marge Berrios	Lucy Loveitt
Nell Colbert	Amy Martin
Cathy Diehl	

Nell confirmed that we have a quorum for this meeting and Marge was granted permission to deviate from the printed agenda should the need arise.

The minutes from the last meeting were emailed to all members. Hard copies of the minutes were available at the meeting for review by those who had not received them via email. Lucy Loveitt moved (seconded by Cathy Diehl) that the minutes be approved as written. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report was not available; the August activity will be addressed next month.

Nell Colbert shared items of correspondence received this month including:

- Membership Credit Report from Department
- Flyer about the collection for homeless female Veterans

Nell also reminded everyone that the most recent issue of the Department Communiqué has been posted to the Department website.

Nell Colbert reported on the Post Executive Committee meeting:

- SAL breakfasts won't start until November. It would be great if the Auxiliary could provide at least one volunteer for each breakfast beginning in November to show our support for their fundraiser.
- Post picnic being planned for the end of October
- Post will be doing the Angel Tree project again and we may be asked to help with the shopping.
- We got permission to place a collection basket for the homeless female Veteran collection at the Post for the October meetings.
- Jerry Dress and Billy Dover will be planning the 2020 Four Chaplains service.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Marge called on the Committee Chairs to give their updates if there was activity during the month. The service hour log book was passed around and Marge reminded everyone to keep track of their hours. As we discussed each program, Marge explained our projects for the benefit of our new members.

- **AEF:** Nell explained the AEF and how it works.
- **Americanism:**
- **Cavalcade of Memories:**

- **Community Service:**
- **Constitution & By-Laws:**
- **Education:** Last month Nell presented information about an opportunity from Scholastic Books where each student in a teachers' classroom could receive one book per month throughout the school year for \$10 per child. Since most elementary classrooms have 25 or fewer students, it was proposed that we donate \$250 to cover one classroom for the year. Cathy Diehl moved (seconded by Lucy Loveitt) that we send a check for \$250 to a teacher participating in the Scholastic Book project. Motion carried. This can be used as our Give 10 to Education project.
- **Girls State:**
- **Leadership:**
- **Legislative:**
- **Membership:** Nell reported that before tonight's meeting, we have 15 paid members, 68.14% of our 2020 goal.
- **National Security:**
- **Past Presidents Parley:**
- **Poppies:**
- **Public Relations:**
- **VA & R:**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Unit Guides – Nell collected money for the national Unit Guides and will order in the next few days.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- 6<sup>th</sup> District Meeting – Marge reported on the meeting held in Winter Garden, emphasizing the passage of the Legion Act that made eligibility for membership in the Legion, the Auxiliary, and the SAL open to all veterans who served since the beginning of WWII. Also discussed was the passage of a resolution at the Legion national convention that changed the wording for Auxiliary membership from "wife" to "spouse," opening the Auxiliary to the male spouses of female veterans. Marge also presented the information about sponsorships of some of the Girls State meals and activities. Marge also shared the dates for upcoming 6<sup>th</sup> District events, including the School of Instruction on October 5<sup>th</sup>.

After everyone made their contributions to the AEF piggy bank, Marge offered the benediction and adjourned the meeting at 7:47pm. After the meeting, Nell collected money for the Unit Guides and processed dues for Amy and Lucy.

Respectfully submitted



Nell Colbert  
Secretary-Treasurer

Minutes approved \_\_\_\_\_

Nell Colbert, Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

Marge Berrios, President \_\_\_\_\_