

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

October 19, 2021

The October 2021 general meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 112 was called to order at 7:05pm by President, Marge Berrios. The meeting was opened according to ritual. Our meetings are held via Zoom and streamed live to Facebook.

Members in attendance included:

Marge Berrios

Nell Colbert

Terry Berrios

Debi Shannon

Guests in attendance were:

Jim Middlekauff, Post 112 Commander

Bob Colbert, Post 112 Adjutant

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. Terry Berrios moved (seconded by Debi Shannon) that the minutes be approved as written. Motion carried.

Nell Colbert gave the Treasurer's Report. Debi Shannon moved (seconded by Terry Berrios) that the Treasurer's Report be filed for audit. Motion carried.

Nell Colbert shared items of correspondence received this month including:

- Department *Mail Call* newsletter
- Unit membership Credit Report – now being send via email
- Girls State application to send delegates

Jim Middlekauff and Bob Colbert reported on the Post Executive Committee meeting:

- Post meetings are now hybrid
- Christmas party on 12/3 at Perkins on University at Forsyth beginning at 6pm. There will be an optional gift exchange with gifts costing at least \$15.
- The Post is trying to get the leaks fixed in the pavilion.
- The Legion family will do the VA's Angel Tree project again this year. The VA needs the gifts by 12/7 and they would like to have pictures to go with the gifts.
- The Post will also support our Veterans holiday food basket and Eastbrook food pantry projects.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Marge called on the Committee Chairs to give their updates if there was activity during the month. Marge reminded everyone to send in their written service hour logs.

- **Constitution and By-Laws:** Out updated documents were mailed to Department; we have not received confirmation of receipt.
- **Membership:** We still need two members to pay their dues for 2022 and we need to recruit two new members to hit out goal of 24 members to make 100%.
- **Poppies:** Marge has confirmed with Brenda that we can do a distribution booth at Tijuana Flats as before. Marge will check with Madelda to see if she might be available to handle a different store. Cmdr. Jim noted that the Orlando Veterans Day parade is the 11th and that might be a good place to have a booth.

- **VA & R:** Nell announced that Eastbrook Elementary is bringing back their Veteran's Day program this year. The program is scheduled for Veteran's Day, 11/11 at the school beginning at 10am. The school would like for us to have our traditional table and give out flags to the Veterans in attendance. We still have plenty of flags, so we won't need to order more for this year. Nell encouraged the Post to have members available to talk with the Veterans about the Legion.

LEADERSHIP SEGMENT:

Debi presented information on the scholarships available through national. It was noted that one of our former members received one of the Non-Traditional Student Scholarships a few years ago.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Scholastic Books project – Nell confirmed that the teacher we supported last year is ecstatic about our support again this year. We will deliver the check to the school when we attend the Veterans Day program.
- Thanksgiving food pantry project – It was suggested that since we will be attending the Veterans Day program at Eastbrook, it would be convenient to drop off the food for the backpacks on that day after the program. It was agreed that we would do the shopping on Tuesday, 11/9; we will meet at the Publix on University and Goldenrod at 2pm. Nell will submit a list as we've done in the past so the store can pull the items we need.

NEW BUSINESS:

- ABC School update – Marge and Nell attended and noted that there was a lot of good information presented. All new members should attend this important training.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMINDERS:

- Legion Christmas party – Nell emphasized the need to RSVP to the Post Adjutant ASAP as seating will be limited since we must practice social distancing. It was also noted that as of right now, Perkins does require everyone be masked except while eating.
- Fall Conference is 11/5 and 11/6 at the Renaissance Resort at Sea World. All members are encouraged to attend. The agenda of classes was emailed out to everyone a few weeks ago. There is no cost to attend.

Debi Shannon offered the benediction and Marge Berrios adjourned the meeting at 7:42pm.

Respectfully submitted



Nell Colbert
Secretary-Treasurer

Minutes approved _____

Nell Colbert, Secretary _____

Marge Berrios, President _____