American Legion Auxiliary Winter Park Memorial Unit 112 General Meeting Minutes

February 18, 2020

The February 2020 general meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 112 was called to order at 7pm by President, Marge Berrios. Since there were only three in attendance, the meeting was not opened according to ritual.

Members in attendance included: Marge Berrios

Nell Colbert

Debi Shannon (by phone)

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

Nell Colbert gave the Treasurer's Report and made hard copies available at the meeting for review. Debi Shannon moved (seconded by Marge 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
- Girls State packet

Nell Colbert reported on the Post Executive Committee meeting:

- The new electronic sign has been installed and will promote all the events at the Post.
- New steps and handrails have been installed for the back entrance to the building
- The next SAL breakfast is 3/28/2020 from 8am to 11am. Our help is needed.
- The selection for Boys State took place during the Post's February meeting.

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.

- Americanism: Marge reported that the letters to the high schools seeking essays
 have been delivered and Nell confirmed that the notices for the elementary schools
 have also been sent. While there have been no responses from the high schools,
 Nell reported that she has received emails from several schools We will judge the
 essays received at our March meeting. Marge noted that the Post donated a flag
 to Lake Howell High School at our request; Nell and Bob delivered the flag.
- Education: There was a brief discussion about our traditional breakfast baskets for Teacher Appreciation Week. Due to our reduced grant from the Rotary Club, it was decided that we can only afford to do one gift basket this year so we will only do the basket for Eastbrook this year. As usual, Nell will handle the shipping and delivery.

- **Girls State:** Marge reported that we have six girls for our interviews on the 23rd; two each from Oviedo, Haggarty, and Winter Park. Our selection will take place on 2/23 at the Post. We'll meet at 1pm for set up and the girls will arrive by 2pm. Based on the due date for the applications, we discussed moving our interviews to either the 2nd or 3rd Sunday. It was agreed that for 2021, we will shift to 2/21.
- **Membership:** We are at 100%. Nell got a response from Takako; her husband passed away and she has moved to RI so she will not be renewing. We have not received a response from the other letter we sent last month.
- **Poppies:** Marge reported that we have about 150 poppies on hand so Nell will order the minimum number for our May booth. Marge confirmed that our May booth will be at Tijuana Flats.
- VA & R: Both the SAL breakfast in January and the Four Chaplains service went well. The Post and the Sons thanked us for our help.

OLD BUSINESS:

• Speaker Updates – Marge reported that she's not had any luck contacting the CBD Oil person who spoke at Post 243. We confirmed with Debi that Dyke can speak about the Legion LIT program at our May meeting. Nell will include an invitation to all Legion family members to attend our May meeting. Nell will contact the Elder Affairs officer from SCSO about speaking about the Scent Kits, a new program from the Sheriff's Office. Since our installation of officers should be at our July meeting, we will target for either June or August for the Scent Kit program.

NEW BUSINESS:

• **Nominating Committee:** It was noted that we need to form our Nominating Committee at next month's meeting so we can hold our elections in May.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMINDERS:

- SAL breakfast is 3/28 from 8am 11am. We need Auxiliary members to help.
- Girls State interviews are this Sunday, 2/23 at 1pm at the Post.
- Next 6th District meeting is 3/7 at Post 80. No one is going due to heavy smoke in Auxiliary meeting room
- Department Convention is 6/25-6/28 at the Orlando World Center.

After everyone made their contributions to the AEF piggy bank, Debi Shannon offered the benediction and Marge Berrios adjourned the meeting at 7:51pm.

Respectfully submitted
Dell Calbert
Nell Colbert
Secretary-Treasurer
Minutes approved
Nell Colbert, Secretary
Marge Berrios, President