

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

October 11, 2016

The October general meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 112 was called to order at 7:05pm by President, Marge Berrios and opened according to ritual.

Members in attendance included:

Marge Berrios

Debi Shannon (by phone)

Nell Colbert

Thelma Smith

Aunita Padgett

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. The minutes were also posted on the Unit's YahooGroups site and placed on our unit website. Nell had hard copies of the minutes available at the meeting for review by those who had not received them via email. Aunita Padgett moved (seconded by Debi Shannon) that the minutes be approved as written. Motion carried.

Nell Colbert presented the Treasurer's Report and reported that the Treasurer's Report was emailed to all members and was posted on the YahooGroups site. Nell also made hard copies available at the meeting for review by those who had not received the Treasurer's Report via email. Aunita Padgett moved (seconded by Debi Shannon) that the Treasurer's Report be filed for audit. Motion carried.

Nell Colbert shared items of correspondence received this month including the information packet regarding the Fall Conference and the flyer for the Goldenrod Chamber Fall Festival and Parade. Nell also reminded everyone that the most recent issue of Department Communiqué has been posted to the Department website.

Nell Colbert reported on the Post Executive Committee meeting noting that the Post's Yard Sale is Saturday, 10/22 and the 5K run is on 11/12.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Marge reported that she has only reviewed about half of the programs thus far and asked everyone to download from the Department website the Action Plans for their programs and review them for next month when we will plan our year in more detail.

- **AEF:**
- **Americanism:** The essay contest topic is: "How does learning about government and our America help you become a future guardian of our country?"
- **Cavalcade of Memories:**
- **Children and Youth:** Nell reminded everyone that we have committed to distribute the Halloween Safety coloring books in the Kid's Corner at the Goldenrod Chamber's Fall Festival and parade on 10/29. This year we will be inside the old fire station and work alongside the pumpkin decorating contest.

- **Community Service:**
- **Constitution and By-Laws:**
- **Education:** National Education Week is November 14-18. Nell will handle getting the baskets and delivering them to the schools. Teacher Appreciation Week is May 1 – 5. We will discuss what to do for Teacher Appreciation Week another month.
- **Girls State:** Marge reported that the dates for Girls State have been set for June 7 – June 15.
- **Leadership:** Marge reported that the Program Action Plan urges all Auxiliary members to participate in the on-line leadership correspondence course.
- **Legislative:** Nita commented that this political season is a real circus and reminded everyone to continue to contact their legislators about issues facing Veterans. Nita also reminded everyone to be sure to register to vote by Wednesday if they haven't already registered.
- **Membership:** Nell reported that our goal this year was reduced to 21 and that we have 14 members paid to date, putting us at 67%. Nell will send reminder letters in early November.
- **National Security:**
- **Past President's Parley:**
- **Poppies:** Nita reported that she has set up our booth at the Px for Saturday, 11/5 from 9:30am – 3pm. Thelma will assist. Nell noted that we can also distribute Poppies during the 5K run on the 12th. Marge noted that we have a few hundred on-hand.
- **Public Relations:**
- **Veterans Affairs and Rehab:**

After everyone made their contributions to the AEF piggy bank, Debi Shannon offered the benediction and Marge Berrios adjourned the meeting at 7:55pm.

Respectfully submitted



Nell Colbert
Secretary-Treasurer

Minutes approved _____

Nell Colbert, Secretary _____

Marge Berrios, President _____