

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

**October 12, 2010**

The October general meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 112 was called to order at 7pm by President, Aunita Padgett. In Virginia's absence, Aunita offered the invocation and Johanna Langis led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Preamble to the Constitution of the American Legion Auxiliary.

Members in attendance included:

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| Nell Colbert   | Aunita Padgett         | Carol Weir (Transfer) |
| Johanna Langis | Liz Padgett (by phone) | Maria Barrios – guest |

Aunita asked for permission to deviate from the printed agenda should the need arise and everyone agreed.

Aunita asked out guests to introduce themselves. Carol Weir is transferring to our Unit from Unit 286 in Pinecastle and Maria Barrios is the wife of the Adjutant for the Oviedo Post. Oviedo does not have an Auxiliary Unit so Maria was encouraged to join our Unit.

Nell Colbert reported that the minutes from the last meeting that were emailed to all members and posted on the Unit's YahooGroups. Johanna Langis moved (seconded by Carol Weir) that the minutes be approved as written. Motion carried.

Nell Colbert reported that the Treasurer's Report that had also been emailed via the Unit's YahooGroups and posted on the YahooGroups website. Nell noted that we have now received the commission check from the Friendly's fundraiser but that the funds are not reflected in the Treasurer's Report. Johanna Langis moved (seconded by Carol Weir) that the Treasurer's Report be approved as written and filed for audit. Motion carried.

Nell Colbert noted that other than the check from Friendly's, there was no correspondence received this month. Nell also noted that the Department Communiqué has not been published since June.

Aunita reported that there was nothing discussed at the Post's Executive Board meeting held last week that affected our Unit.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- **Membership:** Nell reported that we have turned in ten memberships for 2011 and that we have received transfer paperwork from Carol Weir. Our Membership Luncheon at Olive Garden was held on October 3<sup>rd</sup> with six people attending, including the Post's Commander. Three of those attending will become new Unit members. Johanna Langis moved (seconded by Nell Colbert) that we accept Carol Weir as a transfer member into Unit 112. Motion carried.
- **Community Service:** Nell reported that our collection boxes for the food drive have been placed in seven Walgreens stores, the Goldenrod Chamber of Commerce and the Post. The boxes were placed on October 8<sup>th</sup> and will remain in place through November 11<sup>th</sup>. At our planning conference we decided to get together on Saturday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 9am in order to sort the food collected and take it to the Scouting for Food drop off location.
- **Children and Youth:** Aunita reported that we have agreed to support the Post's Halloween party for neighborhood youth on October 31<sup>st</sup>. The party will run from 5-8pm but we need as many people as possible to be at the Post by 4pm to help with the final set up.

- **Americanism:** Aunita reported that there have been no additional Americanism activities since our last meeting.
- **Education:** Nell reminded everyone that at our planning conference we agreed to collect Box Tops for Education and Campbell's Soup labels for Cheney Elementary. Please remember to bring your collections each month.
- **National Security:** Aunita reported that we still need a champion for our National Security efforts.
- **Veterans Affairs and Rehab:** Nell reminded everyone that at our planning conference we agreed to clip coupons that would be taken to the Reserve Center. There was a brief discussion about the kind of collection box that would serve best at the Reserve Center. Nell was authorized to purchase the accordion file. Nell has agreed to sort the coupons and tally their value for our year end report. Nell will also take the coupons to the Reserve Center as soon as possible after our meetings each month. Please remember to bring your coupons each month.
- **Girls State:** There was a brief discussion regarding the schools that we should contact in order to get good candidates for our selection process. It was agreed that we should contact Winter Park, Lake Howell, Oviedo, University and Colonial High Schools. It was also noted that we need a champion for this project.
- **Poppy Distribution:** Aunita reported that the poppy's are here. Aunita also showed off our Poppy display for the fall conference. There was a brief discussion as to possible locations. Aunita will contact Walgreens, Sam's and Costco to obtain permission for us to solicit donations on Sunday afternoon, 11/7; Friday evening, 11/12; and Saturday afternoon, 11/13. Aunita announced that she has a display board that we can use at our booth but it needs to be decorated.
- **Constitution and By Laws:** Nell reported that we may need to amend our documents again this year if we learn that the National dues will go up next year.
- **Legislative:** Aunita reported that she continues to send emails to our legislators but most are very non-responsive.
- **Leadership:** Nell and Aunita reported on the recent School of Instruction and encouraged everyone to attend the ABC School when the date and location is announced.
- **Public Relations:** Aunita reported that we need a champion to promote our activities with the media.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

There was a brief discussion about the Friendly's fundraiser. It was decided that we should hold a number of these fundraisers throughout the year and Nell was asked to set up November 17<sup>th</sup> as our next date. Nell will promote the date in the next Post newsletter.

Aunita reported that our recent planning conference was very successful and Nell reviewed our plans for the year.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

There was a discussion regarding our bank account. Since we have changed officers, we need to change the signers on the bank account. Nell recommended that our authorized signers include our President, Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer and Sgt. at Arms. Liz Padgett moved (seconded by Joanna Langis) that the following officers be authorized signers on our account at Fairwinds:

- Aunita Padgett – President
- Liz (Norma) Padgett – Vice President
- Nell Colbert – Secretary-Treasurer

- Johanna Langis – Sgt at Arms

As soon as Nell has the minutes from this meeting ready, she will arrange to meet Liz and Johanna at the bank so that they can sign the paperwork. Nell and Aunita are already signers on the account.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Aunita reminded everyone about the Post's Giant Yard and Craft sale on 10/23 and asked for everyone's participation. Liz and Carol will both be out of town but Nell, Johanna and Aunita committed to attend.

With no further business, Aunita offered the closing prayer and closed the meeting at 8:28pm.

Respectfully submitted



Nell Colbert  
Secretary-Treasurer

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

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

Aunita Padgett, President \_\_\_\_\_