

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

February 11, 2014

The February 2014 general meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 112 was called to order at 7:14pm by President, Marge Berrios. Due to the light attendance, it was agreed dispense with our usual standard opening and Marge was given permission to deviate from the agenda if needed.

Members in attendance included:

Marge Berrios

Nell Colbert

Debi Shannon

Michele Blackman, guest

Nell confirmed that we have a quorum.

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

Nell Colbert gave the Treasurer's Report. Nell reported that we received no additional income and had no expenses since the first of the month. Nell reported that the Treasurer's Report was emailed via the Unit's YahooGroups 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. Debi Shannon moved (seconded by Marge Berrios) that the Treasurer's Report be filed for audit. Motion carried.

Nell introduced our guest, Michele Blackman from Guardian Care who gave a nice presentation on the services offered by her organization. She would be willing to return to make another presentation for our Post.

Nell Colbert shared items of correspondence received this month including the Chamber newsletter, a thank you note from Marge and Lou, the letter from orange County East Rotary about our grant funding and our Girls State paperwork from Department. Nell also reminded everyone that the most recent issue of the Department Communiqué has been posted to the Department website.

Nell Colbert reported that there was nothing for us at the Post Executive Committee meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Marge called on the Committee Chairs to give their updates only if there was activity this month:

- **Americanism:** Marge and Nell reported that the Essay contest letters have gone out to all of the schools.

- **Education:** Nell reported that she received a commitment from the Sea Cadet Commander that they will support the school supply drive this fall.
- **Girls State:** Debi shared some information about a program being done in NM called FROGS – Friends of Girls State. Marge reminded us that our interviews are set for 2pm on Sunday, 2/23. We will set up beginning at 1pm.
- **Membership:** Nell noted that we are at 85% of goal.
- **Poppies:** Nell reminded us that our Poppy order is due before the end of the month in order for us to hold a booth in May. It was decided that we should order 750. Debi Shannon moved (seconded by Marge Berrios) that Nell should order 750 poppies for Memorial Day.
- **Veterans Affairs and Rehab:** Nell mentioned a project that is being done on the Space Coast called Suds Tuesdays where Auxiliary members bring the supplies so that homeless Veterans can do their laundry.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Fundraising – There was a brief discussion about selling flags in conjunction with our May Poppy booth. It was decided that this was not a good idea because of the difficulty in separating the funds received.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Nell reminded everyone about some upcoming District dates:
 - ABC School in Sanford on 3/8 beginning at 9:30am
 - 6th District meeting on 3/15 at Post 347, Lady Lake beginning at 9:30am

After everyone made their contributions to the AEF piggy bank, Debi Shannon offered the benediction and Marge Berrios adjourned the meeting at 8:03pm.

Respectfully submitted



Nell Colbert
Secretary-Treasurer

Minutes approved _____

Nell Colbert, Secretary _____

Marge Berrios, President _____