

American Legion Auxiliary Department of North Dakota

Minutes of the 2023 District 10 Spring Meeting

Friday, April 14, 2023, - 7:30 PM

Location of Meeting: Senior Center at Lisbon ND

The 2023 Spring District 10 meeting as called order by Marcy Schmidt, Department Secretary by request of Gigi Moore, District 10 President in her absence.

- I. **Review and approval of agenda** - the usual opening remarks were dispensed with due to the auxiliary's attendance at the Joint Meeting held earlier in the evening at the Bissell Golf Course Lisbon, ND.

- II. **Remarks from Department President** - Marcy Schmidt, Dept Secretary.
 - a. Gold Star members were honored at the 2023 Winter Conference = Marcy asked the attendees to find Gold Star Mothers in their communities and honor them by paying their dues, inviting them to a meeting or activity with the unit. Or inviting them to lunch or coffee.
 - b. Membership Department dues will remain the same at \$13.00 for at least the next two years. However National dues will be going up to \$18.00 effective with the 2024 dues year.
 - c. Consider PUFL membership now before the dues go up in September.
 - d. The 2023 Department Convention will be held in Bismarck June 23-25, 2023, at the Bismarck Hotel and Conference Center (formerly the Ramkota)
 - e. VAMC needs neck and heart pillows. Marcy distributed patterns to those who would like to make them. When done the pillows can be sent or delivered to the Department Office and the staff will pick them up for distribution.
 - f. Impact Year-end reports are due to Unit Presidents, District Presidents need them by April 15.
 - g. Marcy distributed Poppy Can labels to those who needed them

- III. **Membership / ALAMIS presentation** - Gloria Covert, Dept President elect / Membership Chair
 - a. Encourage your membership chairmen to obtain the ALAMIS access through the Department Office.
 - b. Instructions will be emailed to users.
 - c. HLM - Honorary Life Members are unit members the unit pays dues for the member who has whatever criteria used by units.
 - d. Membership year is January 1 through December 31.

- IV. **Branding Logo** - The auxiliary now has a new logo although the familiar yellow and gold star emblem can still be used.

- V. Memorial Service was held with members of the audience participating. Louann Lee served as the Chaplain.
- VI. Door prizes were drawn for and distributed.
- VII. **Agenda for the next meeting** – the next meeting has not yet been proposed but will be held sometime in the Fall of 2023.
- VIII. **Adjournment of the 2023 District 10 Spring Meeting – Marcy Schmidt, Department Secretary.**

Minutes submitted by: Joann Saxerud, Unit member of Lisbon, ND.