

**Minutes of the
AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
POST-CONVENTION DEC MEETING
(April 27, 2019)**

The meeting was called to order by Incoming President Jane Larson at 3:33 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

NATIONAL OFFICERS

National Executive Committeewoman Lisa Williamson
Alternate National Executive Committeewoman Penny Mazonna

OFFICERS

President Debbie Lowndes
1st Vice President Jane Larson
2nd Vice President Yvonne Lamm
Secretary Barbara Nath
Treasurer Diana Estrada
Sergeant-at-Arms Lori Fruhwirth
Chaplain Marge Blankenship
Historian Anarene (Ann) Robinson
Executive Committeewoman April Sinclair
Executive Committeewoman Anne Foley

STANDING COMMITTEES

Alaska Girls State Chair Yvonne Lamm
Americanism Chair Sue Waldhaus
Auxiliary Emergency Fund Chair Zona Gregg
Children and Youth Chair Anarene (Ann) Robinson
Community Service Chair Kathy Moore
Constitution and ByLaws Chair Sue Diaz
Distinguished Guests Chair Lisa Williamson
Education and Scholarship Chair April Sinclair
Finance Chair Jane Larson
History Chair Anarene (Ann) Robinson
Junior Activities Chair Danielle Larson
Leadership Chair Colleen Newman
Legislative Chair Marge Blankenship
Membership Chair Yvonne Lamm
National Security Chair Lisa Williamson
Poppy Chair Lori Fruhwirth
Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation (VA&R) Chair Jane Larson

ROLL CALL (continued)

PRESENT:

UNITS

Jack Henry Unit 1
Joseph P. Craig Unit 3
Seward Unit 5
Merlin Elmer Palmer Unit 6
Dorman H. Baker Unit 11
Lynn Canal Unit 12
General Buckner Unit 16
Robert G. Blair Unit 17
George H. Plumley Unit 20
Spenard Unit 28
Muldoon Unit 29
Peters Creek Unit 33
Susitna Valley Unit 35
C. Russell Huber Unit 57

PAST DEPARTMENT PRESIDENTS

Lori FitzSimons
Susan Caswell
Eva Aulston
Carolyn Null
Rehta Foster
Lisa Williamson
Sue Diaz
Margaret Blankenship
Penny Mazonna
Sharon Cherrette
Sue Waldhaus

EXCUSED:

STANDING COMMITTEES

Audit Chair Linda Schmitt
Past Presidents Parley Barbe Wolkoff

PAST DEPARTMENT PRESIDENTS

Linda Schmitt
Beverly Eads
Barbe Wolkoff
Linda Schmitt

ABSENT

STANDING COMMITTEES

Public Relations Chair Lori Wolfe

UNITS

Sitka Unit 13
Matanuska Valley Unit 15
Ninilchik Unit 18
Nome Unit 19
Gladys M Heintz Memorial Unit 27
Con Miller Unit 30
Chappie James Unit 34
Peter Heyano Unit 442

PAST DEPARTMENT PRESIDENTS

Ruth Brown	Betty Bumala	Laverne Kearns
Evelyn Oliver	June Haas	Betty Porter
Lavonne Collier	Jean Clayton	Judy Pusti
Etta Singleton	Wilma Stokes	Jean Shandy
Jill Pawson	Betty Randall	Francisca Guilford
Lynn Bash		

OPENING CEREMONIES

MOTION: by Sue Diaz (Unit 20) and seconded by Eva Aulston (Unit 1) to dispense with opening ceremonies.

The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no Unfinished Business to come before the DEC.

NEW BUSINESS

Incoming President Jane Larson asked for approval of the appointment of Barbara Nath as Secretary and Diana Estrada as Treasurer.

MOTION: by Penny Mazonna (Unit 33) and seconded by Sharon Cherrette (Unit 29) to approve the appointment of Barbara Nath as Department Secretary and Diana Estrada as Department Treasurer.

The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

DEPARTMENT COMMITTEE CHAIR APPOINTMENTS

Incoming President Jane Larson announced the following Committee Chair appointments.

Alaska Girls State	Yvonne Lamm (Unit 33)
Co-Director	Ann Robinson (Unit 33)
Alaska Girls State Board 1 year	Pat Salcedo (Unit 33)
Alaska Girls State Board 2 year	Pat Francois (Unit 35)
Alaska Girls State Board 3 year	Danielle Larson (Unit 57)
Americanism	Kathy Moore (Unit 29)
Audit	Sue Diaz (Unit 20)
Auxiliary Emergency Fund.....	Zona Gregg (Unit 6)
Children and Youth.....	April Sinclair (Unit 57)
Children and Youth Co Chair	Margaret Clausen-Grimm (Unit 57)
Community Service	Frances Bedel (Unit 57)
Constitution and Bylaws	Sue Diaz (Unit 20)
Distinguished Guests	Penny Mazonna (Unit 33)
Christmas Gift Project Anchorage	TBD
Christmas Gift Project Fairbanks.....	Margaret Clausen-Grimm (Unit 57)
Education	Sharon Dillon (Unit 5)
Finance.....	Sharon Cherrette (Unit 29)
2 nd year member	Barbara Nath (Unit 20)
3 rd year member	TBD
History.....	April Sinclair (Unit 57)
Junior Activities	Danielle Larson (Unit 57)
Co-Chair.....	Shelby Lamm (Unit 33)
Leadership.....	Kathy Balcom (Unit 5)
Legislative.....	TBD
Membership	Yvonne Lamm (Unit 33)
National Security	TBD
PPP Luncheon.....	Debbie Lowndes (Unit 33)
Poppy	Nancy Hoskins (Unit 35)
Public Relations	Lori Wolfe (Unit 5)
Public Relations Electronic Media.....	Lisa Williamson (Unit 57)
VA&R.....	Ann Robinson (Unit 33)
VA Services to Vets.....	Linda Schmitt (Unit 33)
Anchorage Deputy	Sharon Cherrette (unit 29)
Fairbanks Deputy	Michele Giddings (Unit 11)
Kenai Deputy	TBD
Southeast Deputy	Melissa Snell (Unit 12)
Veterans Gift Shop.....	Ann Robinson (Unit 33)
Co-Chair.....	Jane Larson (Unit 35)
Parliamentarian	Sue Diaz (Unit 20)

MOTION: by Sue Diaz (Unit 20) and seconded by Ann Robinson (Unit 33) to accept the committee chair appointments.

The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

PRESIDENT'S POPPY PROJECT AND FUNDRAISER

The President's Poppy Project this year will be a memorial wreath. The winning wreath will be given to the Department of Alaska and used at a variety of activities including the Veterans' Wall and memorial services.

The President's Fundraiser will be a raffle for gas cards. Prices are \$20 per ticket. Prizes will be \$1,000 for first place, \$500 for second place and \$250 for 3rd place.

FALL WORKSHOP

The Fall Workshop will be at Susitna Valley Unit 35. A date of October 5th was given. Sue Diaz (Unit 20) indicated she would not be there for that date.

MOTION: by Yvonne Lamm (Unit 33) and seconded by Lynn McKinnon (Unit 33) to hold the Fall Workshop on October 5th.

AMENDED

MOTION: by Yvonne Lamm (Unit 33) and seconded by Lynn McKinnon (Unit 33) to set the actual date of the workshop after discussions between the Auxiliary and the Legion to determine a date that works for all.

The amended motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

It was announced that the Department Convention next year will also be held at Susitna Valley Post 35.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the DEC, the meeting was adjourned at 3:44 p.m.