# Minutes of the Auxiliary to VFW Post 4051

Date: May 13, 2023 Time: 10:40am

Presiding Officer: Rachel Brown (Pro-tem) with 4 members present.

The meeting was called to order and the opening ceremonies were conducted according to the

ritual.

### **Roll call of Officers:**

President: Rachel Brown - PROTEM

Sr. Vice President: Amanda Linski - ABSENT

Jr. Vice President: Mike Walker

Secretary/Treasurer: Rachel Brown

Chaplain: Denise Garcia - PROTEM

Conductor/Conductress: Carol Archuleta

**Guard**: Carol Knutson

Patriotic Instructor: Carol Knutson

Trustee #1: Rita Christensen - ABSENT

**Trustee #2**: Carol Knutson

Trustee #3: Amanda Linski - ABSENT

**Guests**: NONE

### Reading and referring of Petitions for Membership:

Wayne Victor was presented for membership - Rachel will check into it and report back.

**Presentation of Minutes:** Presentation of the minutes from the previous meeting will stand approved as read.

<b>Communications</b> :		
NONE		
	Treasurer's report (previous month): checks may not have cleared*	
General Fund:	Balance last report: \$6,142.10	
	<b>Deposits</b> : \$2,020.00	
	Disbursements: \$87.30	
	Ending Balance: \$8,072.10	
<b>Savings Account:</b>	Beginning Balance: \$4,824.97	
	Interest: .60	
	Ending Balance: \$4,825.57	
Games Fund: Be	eginning balance: \$2,409.59	
	Deposits: \$0.00	
	Disbursements: \$0.00	
	Ending Balance: \$2,409.59	
Presentation of Bi	lls:	
NONE		
<b>Committees</b>		Program Chairman
Americanism:		Carol Knutson
<b>Buddy Poppy/National Home:</b>		Denise Garcia

Rita Christensen.

R. Brown/T. Stemen

Chaplain's Report:

**Community Service Report:** 

**Extension:** Tina Stemen

Historian/Media Relations:

Tina Stemen

Hospital: Rita Christensen

Legislative: Rachel Brown

Rachel Brown read the most recent Action Corps weekly to the membership. She continues to forward to members via email.

## **Membership & Recruitment:**

Amanda Linski

Membership report: 205 continuous life members, 17 annual continuous, 231-prior member total, current member total 224. Current total percentage is 96.97%, paid percentage 98.27% as of 05/12/23.

Mentoring & Leadership: Amanda Linski

Scholarship: Rachel Brown

**Veterans & Family Support:**Tina Stemen

Youth Activities (VOD & PP): D. Garcia/C. Knutson

Dept. President's Special Project: Carol Archuleta

Audit Report Trustees (Quarterly)

#### **Unfinished Business:**

1. We will wait to hear from Rita regarding the scheduling of the yard sale this summer.

### **New Business:**

- 1. The warrant was read and we proceeded with the Installation of Officers. Tina Stemen and Rita Christensen to be installed at the June meeting. Carol Knutson served as our installing officer.
- 2. Buddy Poppy Distribution to be held on Memorial weekend (Saturday only) from 10am-3pm at the BIG R in Monument. Mike will arrange and Carol & Dwayne will assist.

- 3. Our next meeting has to be changed from the 2nd Saturday to the 3rd Saturday due to the Convention taking place on the 2nd Saturday. Tina Stemen and Carol Archuleta will be attending.
- 4. Carol Knutson made a motion to donate \$5.00 for the love gift for Department, seconded by Denise Garcia, motion carried. Rachel will mail the check out.
- 5. Rachel Brown will ask President Tina Stemen what she would like for her President's gift. Normally we give them the Past President's pin, but it is very pricey, so we have opted out the last few years. We'll let her decide what she would like.

#### Good of the Order

- ☐ Sigi is now in hospice care and is receiving good treatment. Mike is reporting that she has not eaten or drank in 7 days. She has been sedated and sleeping a lot due to her being agitated. They will not have a memorial service right away, but will let the auxiliary know when they do.
- ☐ Building Update: still talking about the Silver Pond building; a lot needs to be done, they are checking to see if the owners will fix those issues prior. Issues are the roof, electricity and plumbing.

Closing Ceremonies were conducted and the meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting date: June 17, 2023 @ 10:30 at VFW Post 101

Snacks for next meeting: Rachel Brown

Respectfully Submitted,

Rachel Brown
Audited by:
Minutes approved/corrected as read