

POST 2023 CONVENTION MINUTES June 25, 2023

The Post SEC meeting was called to order at 12:05 after the close of the Department Convention by outgoing President Kathy Keizer.

The invocation was given by Chaplain Patsy Watkins.

The Salute to the Colors was led by incoming Sgt-at-Arms Linda Langland.

Roll Call of Officers by Secretary Nancy Middleton showed all in attendance except for 1st Vice, Aleda E Lutz VA, Ann Arbor VAVS, Jacobetti Home Rep, District VII President and Sgt-at-Arms Sue Christe - absent.

Final Reports

President Kathy Keizer – We need to set a date for the Audit. It is supposed to be within 15 days of the close of convention. There may be a problem with that time frame.

****Motion Faye Richardson-Green/2nd Kay Kemp to extend the audit to 25 days following the close of convention. CARRIED by majority.**

- ✓ 2nd Vice – n/a
- ✓ 3rd vice n/a
- ✓ Treasurer n/a
- ✓ Americanism n/a
- ✓ Hospital n/a
- ✓ Scholarship n/a
- ✓ Chaplain n/a
- ✓ Sgt-at-Arms n/a
- ✓ NEC Woman has books of raffle tickets for National convention. There a 5 tickets for \$5 (1 ticket per day) and the prizes are usually\$ 700-\$900 each day. Several tickets were sold.
- ✓ Parliamentarian n/a
- ✓ Ways 'n Means brought in approximately \$1,929 (less expenses) at convention
- ✓ Fall Conference chairman n/a
- ✓ Convention Chairman n/a
- ✓ Higgins Lake Lodge Rep. n/a
- ✓ Personnel Chairman – Faye Richardson-Green announced Wendy Lynema is the next Chair.
- ✓ Honors & Awards n/a
- ✓ Battle Creek VA n/a
- ✓ John Dingell VA n/a
- ✓ MVH Grand rapids n/a
- ✓ District V President n/a

Unfinished business – n/a

New business – President Kathy turned over the gavel to the incoming President Pat Michalski.

POST S.E.C. WITH INCOMING PRESIDENT

Roll call of elected incoming Officers: Pat Michalski, Bonnie Rojascki, Pam Lein, Karen Harmon, Kay Kemp, Roberta Robinson, Patsy Watkins, Deb Davis, Linda Langland – all present

President Pat asked for approval of Kathy Keizer as the 1st Vice President

****Motion Faye Richardson-Green/2nd Bert Lema to approve Kathy Keizer as 1st Vice President. Carried**

President Pat asked for approval of the following appointments

- ✓ Parliamentarian – Faye Richardson-Green
- ✓ Ways 'N Means Chairman – Nancy Woodwyk
- ✓ Fall Conference Chairman – Bert Lema
- ✓ Convention Chairman – Carol Pickett

****Motion Wendy Lynema/2nd Cel Rose Solak for approve the Presidents appointments. CARRIED**

Higgins Lake Lodge Rep is Roberta Robinson who is starting her 2nd year of a 2-year term.

Committee appointments:

- ✓ Grievance Committee Chairman Wendy Lynema plus one appointment Gloria Hall and one more to appoint.
- ✓ Appeals Board Chairman Allison Aldrich plus Bert Lema and Karen Harmon.
- ✓ Americanism Committee Chairman Karen Harmon plus Cel Rose Solak, Faye Richardson-Green, Allison Aldrich and Wendy Chamberlain.

****Motion Kathy Keizer/2nd Wendy Lynema to accept all committee appointments CARRIED**

- ✓ Credentials chairman and Attendance Prize Chairman will be appointed later.

New Officers reports:

- ✓ **1st Vice President** Kathy Keizer in addition to the Membership contests mandated in the 1st Vice instructions, Kathy would like a prize for the first 4 Auxiliaries who send in 100% of their life member assessments by October 1st.

****Motion Kathy Keizer/2nd Gloria Hall to approve the life member contest of 4 prizes for 100% life assessment paid by October 31. CARRIED**

- ✓ **2nd Vice President** Bonnie Rojeski would like approval of 2 Chairman's awards. #1 a drawing among those attending the Penrickton tour and #2 a drawing at convention among all the Auxiliaries who donate to Penrickton through the Department.

****Motion Bonnie Rojeski/2nd Kathy Keizer to approve the 2nd Vice President's 2 Chairmans awards. CARRIED**

The Penrickton our will be at 1pm on September 14

- ✓ **3rd Vice President** Pam Lein would like approval of 2 Chairman's awards. #1 an award to the highest donation to PAWS through the Department and #2 a drawing among all those who have donated to PAWS.

****Motion Pam Lein/2nd Nancy Woodwyk to approve the 3rd Vice President's 2 Chairmans awards. CARRIED**

- ✓ **Americanism Officer**
- ✓ **SOS Officer**
- ✓ **Hospital Officer**
- ✓ **Scholarship Officer**

The above Officers do not have Chairman's Awards yet and will submit plans at Fall Conference.

- ✓ **Ways and Means Chairman** Nancy Woodwyk would like to have Lottery tickets as the prizes for the Department Raffle for 2023/24, Raffle basket drawings, Chinese Auction, Texas Hold'em's for Department fundraisers. The Liaison (Kathy Keizer) will contact Dept. Commander for approval.

****Motion Nancy Woodwyk/2nd Faye Richardson-Green for approval of drawings, auctions, Texas Hold'em's for Dept. fundraisers. CARRIED (with AMVET approval)**

President's announcements:

- ✓ President's theme is U.S.A. – UNITED IN SERVICE TO AMERICA

- ✓ Officer's training will be at 1:00pm on July 19th in Bay City at Post #22
- ✓ Fall Conference will be October 13-14-15 at the DoubleTree in Grand Rapids.

****Motion to adjourn by Allison Aldrich/2nd by Bonnie Rojas. CARRIED
The benediction was delivered by Chaplain Patsy Watkins.**

The retirement of the colors was led by Sgt-at-Arms Linda Langland.

The Post Convention SEC was adjourned at 1:00pm

Submitted by
Nancy Middleton
Executive Secretary
7/3/2023

Approved with corrections by Kathy Keizer 2022/23 President on
7/3/2023

Approved with (lots of) corrections by Pat Michalski, 2023/24
President on 7/3/2023

Approved with corrections by Faye Richardson-Green,
Parliamentarian 7/5/2023