



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY

DEPARTMENT OF ALABAMA

FALL CONFERENCE DECATUR - HILTON DOUBLETREE MINUTES - C of A OCTOBER 14, 2018

The Fall Conference Council of Administration was opened by Department President, Nancy Connolly. Roll Call was called by Department Secretary Sandy Germany. It reflected that Dist #5 President was represented by Dist. #5 J V President Kathy Rowe; Dist 4 and Dist 6 Presidents were absent and PDP Tammy Johansen was absent.

Dept. Chaplain Kay Gedling led the opening prayer which was followed by the pledge to the Flag.

Motion was made by Sandy Germany and 2nd by Paulette Murray to accept the minute's of the SOI as printed and distributed. Motion passed unanimous

OFFICIAL AND OTHER COMMUNICATION: 1 - Suspension of Auxiliary #8600; 2 - Tax Return; 3 - Thank you's as follows: VFW Foundation for donation; Vet Dog donation.

TREASURER'S REPORT THROUGH 8-31-18 -Treasurer's report was presented by Dept. Treasurer Donna Howell. Donna Howell moved to accept the treasurer's report as printed and distributed 2nd by Kathy Rowe.. Motion carried.

2018-2019 UPDATED BUDGET - Budget update presented by Kathy Rowe. Kathy Moved to accept the budget as printed and distributed with one TYPO correction on line 123 which was correcting the amount each to \$100 the total amount remained the same, motion was 2nd by Paulette Murray. Motion accepted unanimously.

NO UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS: It was moved by Kathy Rowe, 2nd by Paulette Murray that President Nancy Connolly be reimbursed the \$200 that she gave back to the Auxiliary Presidents who paid for their President's Book. Money to come from the sale of the program books. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Kay Gedling, 2nd by Nancy Rathburn to purchase a new embroidered Department banner at a cost of \$780 for the banner + Taxes and shipping and handling with funds to come from the Equipment Fund. After much discussion Kay amended her motion to include spreaders to include \$88 and was 2nd by Nancy Rathburn to amend original motion. Following some more discussion Kay amended her motion back to only include the banner + taxes and shipping and handling Nancy Rathburn. 2nd her amendment. Motion carried unanimously.

All reservations for Mid-Winter Conf. were cancelled by the VFW Hdqtrs. Every Line Officer must make their own hotel reservation and must pay their registration. Madam President is checking on the new arrangements before proceedings are done.

Sandy Germany inquired about new Flag Bearer Poles such as the ones Aux. #668 used to have. Bunny Murray is checking on them. This was tabled until next meeting.

Motion was made by Kathy Rowe, 2nd by Paulette Murray to send a donation of \$5,000 to the Dept. of Florida Auxiliary for their Disaster Relief Fund with funds coming from the Unrestricted Charities. Following some discussion, Motion carried.

Voting procedures for June Convention 2019 are being considered. Donna Howell is getting a copy of hers to Dept. Secretary and PDP Sandra Brunton is getting a copy of hers and they will be sent out in communication to be talked about at Mid-Winter Conf.

Treasurer Howell is getting a report on the Department's investment portfolio and try to get Mr. Gruenloh to set a meeting or a teleconference. Discussion followed and it was very informative.

NDCM #8 - Kim Lewis thanked everyone for their attention and for all the time and caring she had been given.

DEPT. SECRETARY - Sandy reminded everyone of the dates and schedule to get the reports to her to be mailed out.

DEPT. TREASURER - Donna reminded all to get their audits in and their vouchers.

DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT - Nancy thanked everyone for their attendance and help and ideas.

The Department Chaplain closed the meeting with Prayer.

Next Council of Administration will be held in Eufaula in January 2019.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandy Germany
Sandy Germany, Dept. Secretary