



KINGSWAY LEGION 175

LADIES AUXILIARY

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

November 21, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 12:35 p.m. by President Kim Earles, by Ritual (Treaty Land Acknowledgement, O Canada and Prayer).

The Acting Sgt. At arms reported there were 15 members present and 1 guest.

Roll Call; Kim Earles, Blondie Charlet, Mary Good, Phyllis Moldowan, Charlotte Bueckert, Sharon Clemens, Zelda Doell, Alice Graham, Christine Payea, Estelle Comeau and Marilen Pytel were present.

Excused: Eldean Baskerville, Reba Baskerville, and Loree Hurst

INITIATION AND GUESTS: One guest was present.

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING: For October 24, 2023, were reviewed. The following errors were noted.

Page 1, Treasurer Report, the acting treasurer Sharon Clemens advised there was an error in her financial report, and they should read \$10,739.06 in general account and \$18,292.55 in meat draw account.

Page 2, Ways and Means first sentence (but) should be put.

Page 2, under bingo spelling error in first sentence (due) should be do.

Page 2, Under Veterans Centre item b, wording should be bingo's do not have specific dates as of yet.

Page 3, Lorraine Knudsen's last name was spelled wrong.

Page 5, Dates for Next General and Executive Meetings were reversed.

Motion to accept the minutes with amendments made by Jan Langston, seconded by Alice Graham, and carried.

Round three for nominations.

Elections took place and the following were elected.

Kim Earles – President

Blondie (Sharon) Charlet – 1st Vice President

Mary Good – 2nd Vice President

Treasurer – Sharon Clemens

Secretary – Phyllis Moldowan

Executive Members:

Marilen Pytel
Janice Langston
Reba Baskerville
Eldean Baskerville
Charlotte Bueckert
Christine Payea
Zelda Doell
Alice Graham

Congratulations everyone!

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING: For November 14, 2023 were reviewed, one error on page 2 date of next general meeting should be November 21, 2023.

Motion to accept minutes with amendment was made by Alice Graham, seconded by Zelda Doell, and carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: Letter from 1809 Loyal Edmonton Regiment Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps, thanking the Ladies' Auxiliary for the \$300.00 donation.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Acting treasurer Sharon Clemens advised that we presently have \$10,318.91 in the general account and \$22,770.55 in meat draw account.

Sharon Clemens so moved her report, seconded by Blondie Charlet, and carried.

MEMBERSHIP: Charlotte Bueckert reported there are 48 members in good standing. There are 33 members that have paid their dues for 2024. Charlotte reported she would be calling all unpaid members to remind them that their payment for membership is due before Dec. 31st, 2023.

Charlotte Bueckert so moved her report, seconded by Janice Langston, and carried.

MEAT DRAW: Mary Good, reported meat draws are doing very well.

Mary Good so moved her report, seconded by Christine Payea, and carried.

BINGO: The button bingo held Saturday Nov. 18th went over really well with 2 complete rounds. The prizes are running low, so please if anyone has any items that they can donate please bring them in for the January bingo.

WAYS AND MEANS: Christine Payea is looking for more ladies to sell raffle ticket for the upcoming Christmas Raffle.

Christine reminded everyone present that they can bring in their food donations for the Christmas Raffle Food Hamper, and please check the expiry dates.

Christine advised the volunteer sign up sheet for the December 16th Christmas Raffle, Bake/Craft Sale and meat draw is with Mary Good. If you can help, please let Mary know.

Chris Payea so moved her report, seconded by Janice Langston, and carried.

Discussion: Blondie and Sharon volunteered to bring in a small lunch, which will be set up in the board room.

VETERANS CENTRE: Marilen Pytel she did not have a report from Bev Friske of the Kipnes Centre to share. Marilen advised that volunteers are always needed for the Birthday Parties (next birthday party is Dec. 19th @ 2:30), Bingo's and special events. If you are interested in volunteering, please call Bev Friske.

Volunteers will be needed to help put together the Christmas bags, this will take place at the Kipnes Centre because the staff will be present to advise volunteers if anyone has any restrictions.

Kim will do up letters to drop off at stores, Lorraine has volunteered to drop the letters off.

Marilen will provide Kim Earles with dates and items that are needed.

Volunteers will be needed to help shop for items, Marilen, Phyllis, Sharon and Janice have volunteered.

Marilen Pytel so moved her report, seconded by Janice Langston, and carried.

SICK AND VISITING: Sharon Clemens reported that she heard a few ladies were not well: Eldean, Estelle, Loree, Loraine, Vickie, and Kim. She tried calling them but was having issues with her phone she was unable to call.

Sharon went to visit Vickie in the Royal Alexander Hospital on Nov. 9th; Vickie was looking very frail. Sharon sat with her and chatted for a while. Vickie made some jokes and talked about the fundraising she was working on for the legion. We then played some cards. The visit was good, lasting about 1 hour.

Vickie advised Sharon that she was the only visitor beside her husband that she has had. It was reported in the meeting that Vickie is not doing very well and does not want any visitors at this time.

Sharon Clemens so moved her report, seconded by Phyllis Moldowan, and carried.

PHONING: Phoned all ladies and left messages for those that never answered.

Zelda Doell so moved her report, seconded by Lorraine Knudsen, and carried.

COMMUNICATION: No report.

HONOURS AND AWARDS: No report.

CHAPLAIN: No report.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Thank you to the executive for carrying on so well in my absence. What a team!

Jaxon Danis from Fort Saskatchewan has completed his trip to Denmark. He came in 18th in the world in his dart division and is 1st in his division in Canada. I was able to personally congratulate him at the Lest We Forget Concert. He thanked us for our donation.

I attended the Lest We Forget concert under the Kingsway Branch Colour Party. I was able to pass on the two tickets donated to the LA to Carol Simon. She was very appreciative of the tickets as she was going to have to purchase a ticket to fulfill some of Vickie's duties.

Our motto is "Service" and you ladies deserve a pat on the back for all the service provided to the Legion in the past month with poppies as well as on Remembrance Day. Thank you ladies for coming and doing what you could. For those members who were there but unable to assist please know your presence did not go unnoticed.

With no December LA meeting and duties for District 2 Commander keeping me busy in December I want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and the best in the New Year!

Kim Earles so moved her report, seconded by Blondie Charlet, and carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Heads up – The draw date for the raffle tickets for the \$1,000.00 gas card that the Legion Branch was running has been extended to March 30, 2024. All tickets purchased will be eligible for the draw.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. AGLC Donations, the donation of \$1,000.00 to the Veterans food bank is not allowed as per Command. Discussion took place as to where the LA members would like this money to go (Veteran's Villa, Cadets, or just keep it in bank).

Motion was made by Phyllis Moldowan to amend the 2023 AGLC & General account for the \$1,000.00 allocated for the Veterans Food Bank and increase the amount by \$100.00 for each of the five Cadet branches making each donation \$400.00 and leaving \$500.00 in the general account, seconded by Janice Langston and carried.

2. The Legion asked if the Ladies Auxiliary would be interested in help pay for a water bottle label with the LA and Legion Crests, this is to try and stop people bringing water into the branch.

Motion was made by Kim Earles if the LA members would be interested in donating half of the \$1,076.00 for the labels. Vote took place and O were in favor and 14 against.

3. With the new elections complete and a new Treasurer named, a letter to the bank is needed for signing authority.

Motion was made by Kim Earles to add Sharon Clemens to signing authority with the bank, seconded by Phyllis Moldowan and carried.

4. Kim Earles will let executive members know the installation date.
5. Kim Earles and Sharon Clemens volunteered to bring snack for January 23, 2024 general meeting.

DOOR PRIZES: 50/50: \$25.50 Winner: Marilen Pytel
 Attendo: \$5.00 Winner: Karen McIcuskey (absent) Next: \$10.00

Door Prizes: Chris Payea, Kim Earles, Zelda Doell

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DATE OF NEXT EXECUTIVE MEETING: January 16, 2024 at 12:30 pm
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Motion for adjournment at 2:35pm was made by Estelle Comeau

Meeting was closed by ritual - God Save the King.

Kim Earles
LA President
Kingsway Branch 175

Phyllis Moldowan
LA Secretary
Kingsway Branch 175