



American Legion Auxiliary - East Palo Alto Unit 472

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Department of California's and the Nation's First Electronic Unit

September 11, 2008

General Meeting: Opened at 7:00 PM (PT) by President Guang Ming Whitley

Attendance: Mary Martin, Lou Thompson, Nancy Brown Park, Kerry Finley, Angela McCoy, Linda Workman, Sherry Schneider, Joyce McLeod, Valerie Hardy, Elizabeth Hardy, Yoko Igawa, Chloe Park

1. **Minutes** of July 10, 2008 approved by those present.
2. **Treasurer's Report** filed for audit.

Officer/Chairmen Reports

Membership :: Chairman Angela reported that 15 members have paid the 2009 dues which includes two new members: Rosalyn Zakheim and Jessica Webb (a dual member). Members were reminded to send dues to P O Box 6522, Santa Rosa CA 95406.

Education :: Chairman Joyce reported that Department Chairman Rosemary Weber will be sending the bulletins in the mail since she doesn't have e-mail. As information arrives, Joyce will notify the membership.

Poppy :: The Poppy order is due by October 1, 2008. It was moved by Linda and seconded by Mary to order 1,000 poppies. Motion carried.

Girls State :: Chairman Guang Ming reported that the reservation for Girls State is due October 1, 2008. Lou moved and Linda seconded to send 5 delegates. After discussion, Guang Ming moved and Linda seconded to amend the motion to send 6 delegates to Girls State 2009. Amendment was approved. Amended motion to send 6 delegates to Girls State was carried.

VA&R :: Nancy reported that the National Creative Arts Festival is being hosted by California this year. There is a call for California Units to make donations to the Hospitality Fund. It was moved by Linda to give \$100. Angela seconded. Mary amended to send \$200. Lou seconded the amendment. Amendment was approved. Amended motion to donate \$200 was carried.

3. Unfinished Business

Physical Meeting Committee :: Committee Chairman Kerry reported that the physical meeting committee has pretty much organized the October Leadership Workshop/Dinner events for October 17-18th. More info is published in the newsletter and in the Evite. The Theme has yet to be decided for Saturday night's dinner, but is sure to be fun.

4. New Business

Budget 2008-2009 :: The 2008-2009 Budget was presented by the committee represented by Linda Workman. Linda moved and Angela seconded to approve the budget. Motion carried. A new project was initiated in the newsletter which sells advertising space. The income is to be used to support projects voted on by the membership for veterans, service personnel; not to support VA&R.

Jim Park is participating in the Ride 2 Recovery bike ride to support veterans. Linda moved and Mary seconded that the Unit sponsor Jim Park's ride for veterans in the amount of \$25.00. Motion carried. Members may also send a personal donation to Nancy's home address.

5. Announcements

Nancy reported there is a brand new unit in SF Unit 911 that received their charter at convention. They need lots of help. Linda and I talked and think we can be a great mentor to them "Like a sister City" A sister Unit. They are all young OEF and OIF veteran families with who need help getting started. We could be great partners and I think we can help them become a strong unit in San Francisco.

Linda reported that Unit 472 was to be the hostess for the last District meeting; however, due to a family illness, she was unable to make it happen. She will be in contact with the District President to hostess another meeting this year.

Nancy picked up all the awards from convention. She will get them to Linda for the October meeting. She also picked up our Presidents pins (10) so hope they will sell at the meeting.

6. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM (PT)

Lou Thompson (Signature)