

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 1, Wheeling
Meeting Date/Time: 04/01/2025 @ 6:59 PM

April 2025 Meeting Notes

Meeting called to order by President Michelle Powell

Prayer led by Melissa Stegman

Pledge of Allegiance and Preamble recited by all members.

Auxiliary Mission Statement recited by President Michelle Powell

Roll Call of Officers:	PRESENT	NOT PRESENT
President- Michelle Powell	X	
1 st Vice- Melissa Stegman	X	
2 nd Vice- Denise Wycherley		X
Secretary- Courtney Clark	X	
Treasurer-		
Chaplain Martha Bloomfield		X
Sgt at Arms- Marcia Bolner		X
Historian Sandy Koontz		X

Other Members Present: Denise Abell, Lois Sine-Hoffman, Janet Jaquey

Total Present: 6

Total Voting Members: 5

SECRETARY:

Minutes from the March 2025 meeting were read by Secretary Courtney Clark.

Motion made by Melissa Stegman to accept minutes. Motion seconded by Lois Sine-Hoffman. Discussion: None. In favor 5, Against 0, Motion carried.

TREASURER:

Finance Report was not provided as bank statement was not received prior to meeting.

General Fund- \$1769.70

Poppy Fund- \$503.55

President's Report

- Membership Dues

- Auxiliary 2025-2026 yearly dues will be \$35 which is \$10 more than National \$25 dues. Junior Dues will be decreased to \$4.75 or \$1 over the National \$3.75.
- Motion made by Lois Sine- Hoffman to accept new amounts for membership dues. Motion seconded by Janet Jaquay. Discussion: None. In favor 5, Against 0, Motion carried.

- Walmart Raffle
 - o Winner, Michelle Bunda/Badia, was pulled via Facebook live on 04/01/25.

Sick Call & Relief

- Sandy Koontz had knee surgery. She is not able to bend her knee therefore driving is difficult.
- Marilyn Collins is headed to Morgantown for follow up appointment and why she isn't at the meeting.
- Sharon's son was diagnosed with Afib (atrial fibrillation) and is in the hospital.
- Sandra's sister in South Carolina was diagnosed with cancer.
- Martha Bloomfield's husband Larry is in the hospital for hip replacement. Martha does not like to drive in the dark.
- A prayer was also provided by Melissa Stegman for members' health and recovery.

New Members- None

OLD BUSINESS:

ALA Department of WV Means & Ways

- John and Michelle Powell both won \$25.

Steak Fry

- Scheduled April 4, 2025, and members should be at post by 4 PM.
- Legion received liquor license in time for the event.

Membership Recruiting Event

- Legionnaires will be attending the Home and Garden Show at the Highlands Sports Complex on April 11-13, 2025. It is free admission.

ALA First District Spring Conference

- Scheduled 04/27/25 at Cameron, WV post. Registration is 9-10 AM.
- Forms and payment of those attending need to be at Department by 04/13/25.

Washington Wild Things Baseball Night

- Scheduled 05/31/25 @ 5:30 PM; game is 7:05 PM
- \$30 per person is needed with RSVP to John Powell ASAP.

NEW BUSINESS

Post 1 Picnic

- Scheduled 07/05/25. Members to bring covered dish.
- Fireworks by Elm Grove Civics. Smiley Van (picture opportunity) 6-8 PM.

First District Picnic

- Scheduled 07/27/25 @ Benwood City Park located at 4th Street, Benwood, WV

2025-2026 Officers

President Michelle Powell, First Vice Melissa Stegman,
 Second Vice Sandy Koontz, Secretary Courtney Clark
 Treasurer (Vacant), Historian Lois Sine-Hoffman
 Chaplain- Peggy Niebergall, Sgt-At-Arms Marcia Bolner

- Michelle plans to talk to Diane Mey about the treasurer position.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Membership

- Unit 1 has 31 paid members.
- Unit is at 119% membership
- Michelle Powell will receive a golden ribbon at the Spring District Conference for meeting 85 % by 03/15/25. Unit met it by 12/31/24.

Girls State

- ALA received \$300 from Women's Club, \$300 from Elk's Club and \$300 from Glessner to send 3 girls to Girls State.
- Michelle Powell mailed thank you notes to those who donated.

Standing Rule

- Michelle has not received any response from Rhonda Best.

Correspondence:

None

For the Good of the Unit:

None

Next Meeting:

Fun Night- April 18, 2025 @ 7 PM.

Monthly Meeting- May 6, 2025 @ 7 PM.

Closing Prayer/Benediction: Melissa Stegman

Closing Statement: President Michelle Powell

Adjourned by President Michelle Powell at 7:37 PM

Quarter Drill for Education

Notes Taken: 04/01/25

Typed: 04/07/2025

Courtney L Clark
Auxiliary Unit 1, Wheeling
Secretary

Michelle Powell
Auxiliary Unit 1, Wheeling
President