



American Gold Star Mothers, Inc.

2024-2025 National Executive Board Meeting
January 5, 2025
Meeting Minutes

Call to Order – Patti started the meeting at 7:02 PM. (See agenda attached.)

A motion to Dispense with the Ritual was made by Joan and seconded by Sherrie.
Motion carried.

Sherrie led the members with an opening prayer.

Joyce led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Theresa performed roll call of the officers, and all members were present. PNP Becky Christmas was present for the first portion of the meeting.

Closed Session

A motion was made to go into the Closed Session by Joan and seconded by Nichole. Motion carried.

A motion was made to come out of the Closed Session by Teresa and seconded by Annette. Motion carried.

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A motion was made that the request of a former member to rejoin the AGSM organization be denied by the 2024-2025 National Executive Board (NEB) by Annette and seconded by Joyce.
Motion carried.

Unfinished Business

Per Capita Update – Teresa and Rose updated the board about the process on collecting per capita information. Teresa will have an update by next Sunday.

New Business

Chairs of Distinction – Ron Lewis has made arrangements that Gold Star Mothers can purchase a stadium chair for \$395 each. He would like us to run an ad in our newsletter and share this information with our members on Facebook and email. Patti has requested that he

provide us with the marketing materials. He agreed that he will process the orders and take care of shipping the chairs to members.

Department Meetings – Patti asked which NEB members would be willing to attend other Department meetings, if requested and funds were available. In addition to Patti, Joyce, Joan, Annette, Pam, Rose and Teresa expressed a willingness to travel to these meetings. Patti shared that NC’s Department meeting will be April 5th. Rose shared that the VA Department’s meeting will be held on April 12th at Ft. Lee. If attending another Department’s meeting, NEB members will share any potential Constitution and by-law changes, convention information and install new officers.

Medal of Honor Upgrade Request for SPC/4 Keith A. Campbell – The Change.org post has been taken down about supporting this petition. We will not be sharing or promoting this request from Bill Kibler.

Vietnam Veterans Day at the Memorial Wall – This event will be held on March 29th. NEB members have attended for the last two years. Although funds were not specifically allocated for this trip this year, Patti asked who would be available to attend. Patti, Rose, Theresa, Denise, and Annette will attend.

Good of the Order

February Board Meeting and White Rose Ball – For those members who are flying to Pittsburgh, please forward your flight arrangements to Teresa. Patti, Annette, Teresa and Joan will be attending the Four Chaplains Dinner on February 4th. The NEB Meeting will be held on February 6th. We will be staying at an Air B&B and transportation to the event at Duquesne will be provided by the University. Teresa will be sending out more information about the February schedule and menu soon.

Committee Meetings have been scheduled for the next two weeks.

Sherrie McGhee led the closing prayer.

A motion to adjourn was made by Annette. Teresa seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Theresa Karlson, Secretary

NEB Approved date: 1/8/25

Patti Elliott, President

Date

Theresa Karlson, Secretary

Date