



## **American Gold Star Mothers, Inc.**

2025 - 2026 National Executive Board

Meeting Minutes -January 30, 2026

The business meeting was called to order at 7:34 pm by President Annette Kirk

Secretary Chanta Vasquez conducted the roll call of officers. Twelve members of the NEB were present: President, Annette Kirk; First Vice President, Joyce Paulsen; Second Vice President, Teresa Bullock; Treasurer, Theresa Karlson; Secretary, Chanta Vasquez; Sergeant-at-Arms, Denise Torbert; Chaplain, Sherrie McGhee; Flag Guard, Evelyn Baltierra; Banner Guard, Tammy Bell; NSO, Rose Duval; VAVS National Chair, Carla Wicks; and IT Chair, Nichole Chilton.

### **Unfinished Business**

#### **DWG Proposal Follow Up**

Madam President was given a list of 11 questions from the Centennial Committee (attachment 1) that were not answered at the January 28th Centennial Committee meeting. Madam President presented each question to the NEB, and after discussion and research if needed, the NEB were able to answer all questions.

A motion to move into Executive Session by Teresa Bullock seconded by Sherrie McGhee.

A motion to come out of Executive Session by Theresa Karlson and seconded by Sherrie McGhee.

### **New Business**

There is no new business at this time.

Meeting adjourned at 9:34PM

Respectfully submitted by

Chanta Vasquez  
National Secretary

NEB Approved date: February 9, 2026

Chanta Vasquez 2/9/2026

## Internal Questions About DWG Proposal following the Zoom on 1/11/2026

1. Do we want to set a window of time to get two more proposal to compare with DWG?
2. Should we take the proposal to the 2026 national convention for a vote from delegates?
3. Should we release the names of all AGSM donors?
4. Can AGSM financially hire DWG for both phases?
5. Should the Gold Star Manor meet with DWG?
6. Does AGSM have a platform for donors?
7. What does AGSM donors background look like?
8. Do AGSM maintain contact with donors? If so, how?
9. It is required by our documents that we hold a national convention annually. The national convention should be funded by the organization and not the National President. Why isn't funding for the national convention included in the annual budget?
10. What percent of the annual budget goes toward administrative costs of the organization (i.e. Board travel, taxes, headquarters expenses, insurance, technology/software, legal fees, etc.?)
11. Define taking it to the membership at convention. Will it be to share the information or for the delegates to vote? Remember: the majority of our members do not attend the national convention.