

Kady Brownell Tent #36 Meeting Minutes
October 26, 2025

Present: Lynne Dolan
Laura Congleton
Eileen Sleckman
Janice Guy
Barbara Grace
Mary Cordato
Alycia Chillemi

The meeting opened at 1:20 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance and the opening of the Bible.

Lynne talked about our upcoming Holiday Party and whether we should get a sheet cake. Everyone present liked the idea and Lynne said she would talk to the restaurant about the dessert options. Also discussed were raffle baskets. Laura made a motion to allocate \$40 towards a lotto ticket basket and \$25 for a booze basket. Mary seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Lynne said she would take care of the lotto tickets and Eileen offered to make up the booze basket. Alycia offered to donate a gift card from C&C Sutlery. Lynne also said she planned on making candy favors and Eileen said she would try to bake Civil War era cookies. It was decided as well to have a 50/50 with the proceeds going to benefit the programs at the Northport VA. Lynne reminded us that we committed \$200 for the Secret Santa Soldier project, and that we would likely use funds raised at the luncheon to support the grocery gift cards for the Hungry Heroes project. Eileen pointed out that they were also asking for Uber gift cards at the VA and we might want to consider donating those as well.

Eileen made a motion to pay the fee to participate in the Remembrance Day ceremony at St. Thomas. Laura seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Laura pointed out that she had underpaid last year's Honor Flight donation and so sent a larger check this year to make up for it.

Both Lynne and Alycia said they were going to Remembrance Weekend at Gettysburg.

New Business:

Laura made a motion that the Tent would pay for an Anniversary pin for any member who has been in the Tent for 25 years. Any member who transferred into Tent 36 from another Tent or MAL would receive an Anniversary pin after being in Tent 36 for 25 years, but that pin would reflect the total number of years in the organization. Janice seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Lynne announced that the new National bylaw book is online and that new forms are available for end of year reports. She also told everyone that the Dept website password is changing

effective Veteran's Day. The user name will remain the same. The new password was shared at the meeting but cannot be written.

Long time member of Tent 2, Carolyn Davies was fondly remembered, as she recently passed away. Lynne said she would ask Barbara to send a card to her family.

Mary said she would like to work on adding more detailed histories of member's ancestors to our Tent website. If anyone would like to send their ancestor's story to Mary, her email is civilwarlady6165@gmail.com

Nominations for 2026 Officers were discussed. Lynne has asked if all officers would be willing to remain in their current roles. That being the case, the Secretary will cast a ballot to elect the 2026 officers.

Laura made a motion to end the meeting at 2:23 pm. Eileen seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted in FC&L,

Eileen Sleckman, PDP
Tent Secretary