



AAUW – Morgan Hill Board Meeting Minutes
October 2, 2008
CRC Meeting Room 2

Present: Margo Hinnenkamp, Bobbi Graham, Ellen Freitas, Peggy Thompson, Sharyn Frentner, Maria Schalk, Judy Kinker, Barbara Palmer, Yvonne Duckett, Elizabeth Mandel, Susan Oldham-Fritts, Mary Hellman, and Carol O’Hare

Call to Order: 7:05 pm by Bobbi and Margo

Approval of Minutes*: September minutes approved as corrected.

Treasurer’s Report* was presented by Ellen Freitas. Branch funds are at Washington Mutual Bank, and with change of ownership may have to be moved to another bank if MH branch closes. So far, 18 Entertainment Books have been sold with \$5 from each goes to the branch Dues Assistance fund. The fund totals \$117.03 from donations and interest, and has not yet been used.

Programs: Sharyn Frentner reported that the Candidate Forum is set for Monday, October 13. It will include candidates for Assembly, City Council and Open Space Authority, as well as information about Measure G, a proposed 2% utility tax for local services. It will be co-sponsored by the MH Times, who will provide free ads. Yvonne has designed the ad and flyer. The forum planning committee includes Sharyn, Margo, Joanne Rife, Beth Wyman, Lisa Pampuch, Carol Holzgrafe and Carol O’Hare. It will meet Oct 6 to work out details.

The Neighborhood Dinner is Friday, November 7, at Mama Mia’s. The buffet dinner will cost \$24. An LCD projector is needed for Beth Wyman’s presentation on Historical Women of the Area, and Sharon thinks she can borrow one. It was decided to do a special tribute to long time member Elena Moreno at this event. Margo will contact branch historian Sara Dunlap for photos of Elena.

The holiday party takes place December 7 in the afternoon, possibly at Temple Emeth on Monterey Road. Sharyn and Joan Ensign (a member of Mass Confu?ion) will check out the space. Cost of rental is \$50/hour with a refundable \$250 deposit. The event will be a potluck with appetizers, sweets, wine, coffee and tea. Peggy Thompson will bring coffee pots and provide centerpieces, such as poinsettias. For our holiday giving activity, Barbara Palmer suggested that we support the Learning and Loving Center with gift cards, as we did last year.

The Wildflower Run will be held on April 5, 2009. Barbara reported that the Run committee will have its first meeting in November. Business Sponsor committee (Joan Ensign, Mary Hellman and Barbara) recently met. (Business contributors will be called “sponsors” and individuals will be “donors”.) Levels of donations will remain the same: \$1000, \$500, \$250 and \$100. The sponsor campaign will start in Dec. Bosch company will once again provide free printing of materials. Perks for \$1000 sponsors was

discussed. Logos will be placed on the front of registration forms, on the branch website and on a banner at the finish line. The committee recommends offering ads on the tee shirts as another incentive with the goal of increasing the number of major donors. Yvonne will discuss this with Bob Blaine, whose substantial donation each year has kept the tee shirt ad-free.

Membership Report: Elizabeth Mandel reported that 68 members, Tech Trek girls and guests attended the membership brunch last month. We now have 127 paid members. No one joined at the Taste of MH, but several expressed interest. Elizabeth will follow-up.

Allocation of Wildflower Run Funds*: Maria Schalk and Judy Kinker proposed how the donation to the Educational Foundation (\$10, 589) could be distributed among various incomplete EF endowments. This would include \$700 for a new Los Altos branch endowment in memory of Lee Lynch, a Tech Trek supporter. Susan moved that the allocation be accepted as presented, seconded by Ellen, approved unanimously.

Carol will request a check from ISPF for \$10,600 for the branch EF donation, and Maria will submit it before the Dec 1 deadline. An additional EF donation of \$25 as a memorial for Anne Ward will come from branch operating funds. (This is a responsibility of the treasurer and will be added to the job description.) Other EF news: Meg McCann will chair the EF Honoree selection committee.

A **Sound System** is needed by the branch to use at programs and at the Wildflower Run. Mary and Joan will investigate what is available and report back to the board. The cost, estimated to be less than \$300, would be split between Wildflower Run and branch operating accounts.

GEMS: Susan Oldham-Fritts reported on upcoming activities: visit to Canada College in Oct., GEMS logo contest for Nov. and a visit to the Tech Museum to see the Da Vinci exhibit Dec. 4. There are 60 names on the GEMS email list, with 6-12 participating each month.

Website: Mary will follow-up with Emily Shem-Tov to get the Candidate Forum and other branch activities on the website.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm. The next Board Meeting will be Thursday, November 6, 2008, at the CRC.

Respectively submitted by

Carol O'Hare, Secretary

* written reports on file with the minutes

