

Present: Anne Rosenzweig, Mary Hellman, Stacy Forgy, Beth Wyman, Peggy Thompson, Cathy Razumich, Karen Anderson, Bobbi Graham, Ellen Freitas, Sharyn Frentner, Joan Ensign, Maria Schalk, Judy Kinker, Barbara Palmer, Elizabeth Mandel, Susan Oldham-Fritts and Yvonne Duckett

Call to Order: 7:03 pm by Bobbi Graham in Meeting Room 2 at the CRC.

Approval of Minutes: Judy Kinker moves to approve two sets of minutes, Barbara Palmer seconds, unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: Ellen Freitas presents Budget for 2008-2009 as appeared in the August Wildflower, our Account Balances and a Transaction Report for 7/1/08 - 8/31/08. She also has copies of a "Request for Reimbursement" form for any new members who need them. They will also be available on-line. Barbara Palmer gave the treasurer a folder of ISPF deposits for Wildflower Run sponsorships made by Ava Geddes. Ellen will be the file keeper for them.

Membership Report: Elizabeth Mandel reports that we now have 122 paid members including 4 new members. She has prepared a new brochure and has included it in a packet to give out at the Taste of MH. Peggy Thompson gave Elizabeth extra copies of the Wildflower to give out also. Since we had extra copies, Elizabeth will inquire if members would prefer the on-line version.

Elizabeth says everything is ready for the Membership Brunch this Sunday. Mary Hellman has arranged for all the Tech Trek girls and their families to come. Cathy Razumich will briefly describe Interest Groups. Judy Kinker will help greet attendees at the welcome table.

Programs: Sharyn Frentner reports that the October program is still being arranged. Anne Rosenzweig is working on a Candidate Forum with the local city council members and Open Space Authority candidates. We could possibly include a assembly forum and perhaps a presentation from McNerney. Judy "By-Laws" Kinker reminded the board that a candidate may speak on issues, but may not campaign.

The MH Chamber of Commerce is interested in co-sponsoring the forum along with the MH Times. Though the Chamber tends to be business oriented, the board feels that the publicity they could draw would be helpful to the Forum. The Candidate Forum is tentatively scheduled for October 20th at the City Hall office (where filming is available.)

The Neighborhood Dinner will be on November 7th at Mama Mia's. A buffet will be available for around \$25/guest. Beth Wyman will speak on Important Historical Women of the Area.

A Holiday party is being planned for December 7th. The delightful musical group, "Mass Confu?ion" will perform for us again this year. Elizabeth will check on a possible venue.

January and March programs are still in development. The February 12th program will be a joint venture with the Friends of the Morgan Hill Library presenting Silicon Valley Reads author Brian Copeland with his book "Not a Genuine Black Man."

The Wildflower Run will be held on April 5th 2009.

Barbara Palmer will serve as board liaison for the Run Committee. Stacy Forgy will assist with administrative tasks. Marti Jurick will become the new Door Prize chair.

Unfinished Business:

Judy Kinker presents a statement of **Allocation of Proceeds from 2008 Wildflower Run**.

Barbara Palmer suggests that since the price for a TT camper may only be \$800, that we permit 7 TT campers. Mary Hellman makes a motion to accept the plan with only a change in TT campers to 7. We will table the EF endowments until the next meeting. Anne Rosenzweig seconds. Motion carried.

Emily Shem-Tov sent a message that she has control of the **Website** and is currently making upgrades.

Joan Ensign has received an agreement from the Music Tree to provide a sound system for next year's parade. Joan encourages all members to reach out to new members to get them involved. Bring them to board meetings, you know how much fun that is! Joan also delivers a report on our 11 advertisers and the total income from the ads. (\$1350, up from \$1125 from last year due to the increase in ad price.)

New Business:

Karen Anderson has **Entertainment Books** for sale at only \$25 each. The board approved Karen's suggestion to allocate the proceeds from the Book sales to a scholarship for a contributing member needing assistance to finance national dues. The assistance would be for 1 year only and at the discretion of the president(s) and Membership chair. The treasurer will include the income as "dues". Donations to this fund are also accepted.

There was some confusion among board members about the program(s) for September, leading to questions of procedure to initiate an additional worthy event to be sponsored or supported along with an already scheduled program. The procedure continues to be contacting the President and Program VP with any special event requests. Multiple programs may be permitted.

Elizabeth Mandel introduced the idea of adding members' community activities to the newsletter in a biographical fashion if there is space. She will prepare news articles to contribute.

Other Reports:

Susan Oldham-Fritts seeks member volunteers for a Career Talk/Tour for the GEMS. The girls enjoyed their recent trip to NVIDIA and look forward to upcoming events. On Sept 20 they plan a tour of the neonatal unit at Valley Hospital with a talk by Sharyn Frenetner. A National Chemistry Week bowling event is scheduled for October, with a Computer History Museum or Career Talk planned for November. The GEMS will visit the Leonardo da Vinci exhibit at the Tech in December. Contact Susan if you can help.

The next Board Meeting will be on October 2nd at the CRC.

Minutes submitted by Yvonne Duckett (for Carol O'Hare)