

AAUW – Morgan Hill Board Meeting Minutes January 8, 2009 CRC Meeting Room 2

Present: Bobbi Graham, Elizabeth Mandel, Judy Kinker, Joan Ensign, Yvonne Duckett, Mary Hellman, Betsy Ding, Stacy Forgy, Carol O'Hare, and guest Donna Weisblatt.

Call to Order: 7:13 pm by Bobbi. There were not enough board members present for a quorum.

Approval of Minutes: December minutes were approved as corrected.

Treasurer's Report was accepted as provided by Ellen Freitas.

Membership: Elizabeth reported that no one has joined since the Taste or Neighborhood Dinner, although she continues to tell prospective members about upcoming programs. New members will be invited to a special Wine and Whine in Feb.

Programs: January 21 is Diane Ritchie, the superior court judge, at Villa Mira Monte. Betsy will organize refreshments. February 12 is the Silicon Reads author, Brian Copeland, at the Playhouse, co-sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Carol is in charge. Sharyn Frentner and Mary are working on the March program with Matilda Butler, author of *Rosie's Daughters*. She and her co-author will sell books themselves and donate 10% of sales to EF.

Wildflower Run: Yvonne reported that the Wildflower Run committee met on January 7. 6000 flyers will be produced, and 850 mailed to previous runners. The run will be listed on active.com. Bob Blaine is working on the tee shirt design and has offered to help with the arrangement of logos of major sponsors on the back. The deadline for \$1000 sponsors is February 6. Individual donations total \$1585 to date. Tech Trek and AAUW will have booths at the run. Marti Jurik is handling door prizes. The next sponsor meeting is Jan. 12. The next run meeting is Feb. 4.

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute: Donna Weisblatt talked about the Osher classes that are to be held at CRC-Senior Center. These are college level classes aimed at age 50+. There is a \$25 annual membership. Two classes start in Jan, and Donna is working to promote registration.

Nominating Committee will meet Jan. 11. Marianne Knight is interested in doing programs.

Interbranch Council: There is an IBC meeting Jan. 19, but neither Margo nor Bobbie can attend.

Women's History Month: Gisela Steffe will set up an exhibit for 2 weeks at Gavilan College and 2 weeks at South Valley National Bank. It was suggested that the Cochrane branch of South Valley Bank might also be considered for the exhibit.

PA System: Joan demonstrated the new system that the branch has purchased for \$182. It weighs only 17 lb. It has 3 microphones that can be used either wireless or plugged in.

Chamber of Commerce: The branch will participate in the February 12 Women in Business luncheon "Mini-Trade Show". Margo will speak for the branch. We need a centerpiece, possibly a small rose bush, and gifts for a table of 8 in the theme of Hearts. We will also have a table to promote AAUW and will use the trifold as part of the display. Elizabeth is in charge of arrangements. Members will be encouraged to attend. Cost for lunch is \$20 if sign up by Feb. 6.

AAUW logo: We discussed the new AAUW logo that only uses letters and does not spell out the full name. Joan was given permission to use whatever logo she thought best on Chamber material.

Cochrane Self-Storage: The Friends of the Library rent an 8 x 10 storage unit but do not make full use of it. They might be willing to share the space with AAUW. The board expressed interest in this possibility, so Bobbi will inventory branch"stuff" to see if this is necessary. Carol will follow-up with the Friends.

Tech Trek: The first meeting is January 15 at Mary's. Dates have been set for the camps at Stanford. The branch has been confirmed for 6 campers and possibly one more.

GEMS report submitted by Susan Oldam-Fritts stated that architect and branch member Lesley Miles will present a career talk in Feb. There was discussion regarding Lesley's green workshops and whether the branch can promote them since they are not AAUW-related. It was decided that an email would be sent out relating the workshops to Lesley's GEMS talk.

Website: Emily Shem-Tov has created a new branch website and is looking for comments. The board will be asked to review it and respond by Jan. 15 in order to get the site online by the end of the month for Wildflower Run registrations.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm. The next Board Meeting will be Thursday, February 5, 2009 at the CRC.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol O'Hare, Secretary