

AAUW-Morgan Hill Board Meeting
Weston-Miles Architects, 17500 Depot Street, Suite 120, Upstairs Meeting Room
December 6, 2012

In Attendance: Margaret McCann, Janet McElroy, Joanne Rife, Elizabeth Mandel, Maria Schalk, Judy Kinker, Jenny Redfern, Betsy Ding, Kathy Hansell, Elaine Reimer, Susan Oldham-Fritts, Peggy Martin, Joan Ensign, Carol O'Hare, Faith Protsman, Patty Crone, and guests Jean Pinard, Audrey Dickey and Naa Anim-Appiah, A quorum of voting members was present.

The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report—Treasurer Peggy Martin reported that the balance in the operating account currently has \$11,758 plus the checks received just before the meeting. The Membership budget is in negative territory at this time. It was recommended that the Branch brochures be a separate line in the budget, as they are used for multiple purposes.

Programs—Carol O'Hare reported that there were 75 RSVPs for the Holiday Party as of this writing. Fifty-three people attended the Neighborhood Lunch in November. Upcoming activities include the following:

- January 19, 2 p.m. – Healthcare Movie at the Gilroy Library. It was decided that the Branch would support but not co-sponsor.
- January 31, 7 pm – Silicon Valley Reads author Sue Diaz at the Morgan Hill Library
- February 12, 7 p.m. – Mary Cortani will be speaking on Operation Freedom Paws at the Morgan Hill Library.
- March 14, 7 p.m. – Pay Equity Program at the Oakwood School Library.
- Carol will check on a flyer for the January 19 program.

Membership – Faith Protsman reported that we have 152 members, which is very close to the numbers reported by National. The Committee plans to meet some time in January. February 20 is the Wine and Whine for new members. Moving the date to February 27 was discussed to accommodate families with school-age children on vacation. The Membership Committee will check the demographics of the groups and report back with a decision. They will also invite prospective members.

Unfinished Business

William Keig Memorial Scholarship – Carol reported that \$2500 had been awarded to Marissa Campi, a Senior at San Jose State University and an Elementary Education major. A late \$250 donation to the fund was awarded to runner-up Franchesca Kellett.

Sandy Clark Donations – Margaret McCann read a note from the family. Carol O'Hare and Jean Pinard opened the discussion as to the recipient of the \$565 donated in Sandy's memory thus far. Of the eight

donations, one was designated for Tech Trek and one for the Wildflower Run. Suggestions for other recipients include—

- Learning and Loving Center
- The AAUW National College Women's Leadership Program
- Tech Trek

Other considerations included that the money stay in the Morgan Hill community, that it be both local and AAUW related, that it make a difference in the community (perhaps have someone come to speak to the Branch), that it be both local and AAUW related, that it be designated to send a local college student to a student leadership conference, and that the decision be deferred until next year when the Wildflower Run income is determined. Jean Pinard, Joanne Rife, Susan Oldham-Fritts, and Carol O'Hare agreed to be on a committee to make a recommendation to the Branch.

- Elaine Reimer will check to see if it is possible to add another Tech Trek participant.

New Business

AAUW Facebook Page – Elizabeth Mandel announced that Penny Noel had volunteered to set up a Facebook page for the Branch. It would include such information as upcoming activities, feedback, photos, etc. It was acknowledged that while some members may not join, the page would give the Branch a broader reach. It was also agreed that there would need to be control over the information posted. Elizabeth and Penny will work on setting up a page and get feedback from the Board.

AAUW Funds Honorees – Maria Schalk has created a committee of Peggy Martin, Susan Oldham-Fritts (Chair), and Kathy Sullivan. She will provide a nomination article for the Newsletter, with nominations to go to the committee chair.

- Maria will establish a due date in the article for the Newsletter.

Friends of the Morgan Hill Senior Center – The Board approved that an article would go into the newsletter and possibly an email to the Branch.

- Donna Dicker will provide an article to Jenny Redfern.

Committee/Board Reports

Wildflower Run – Elizabeth Mandel reported that the committee has agreed to add a 5K Stroller/Baby Jogger category, with 1st through 3rd place medals. Jim Holzgrafe will design t-shirts to potentially be used for multiple years.

The individual registrations will go up \$5, with the child fee remaining unchanged. New fees include the following:

- \$35 pre-registration; \$40 last 10 days prior to the Run, as well as same-day.
- \$20 per child (10 and under); \$25 last 10 days prior to the Run, as well as same-day.
- Family of four, \$90; family of five, \$110; family of six, \$130.
- Group of 10 or more, \$28 per person (up from \$25 per person)

Registration is now available on Active.com. Registration may also be made available through RaceMine (SVE's online registration system) as well as via printed and mailed registration forms.

SVE has warned that their fee will go up considerably this year. (Last year they said they would do it for free and then charged \$900 for 900 chips.) This year they are estimating up to \$2250 for 1000 chips. Elizabeth is working with SVE to obtain a contract to bring to the Board. Any fees charged by SVE will definitely affect their level of sponsorship this year. (Last year SVE was listed as one of our major sponsors, at the \$2500+ level.)

Sponsors (\$1000+) are needed by December 31 in order to be listed on the publicity postcard which will be mailed asap after sending to VistaPrint for printing January 1.

All committee chair positions have been filled. The next Run meeting is January 3.

GEMS – Susan Oldham-Fritts reported that 14 GEMS girls attended the Mythbuster exhibit and general galleries at the Tech Museum on December 2. Based upon that excellent turnout, tentative plans move forward to attend the evening Stanford Nanotech Lab program on January 15. February 9 will consist of a volunteer program, in which the older GEMS will help with the AIM-sponsored class at Science Alive! at Gavilan College. The rest of the programs remain unchanged from previous reports.

Tech Trek – Elaine Reimer announced that the kick-off had occurred on November 29. The first volunteer event (to review applications) will be on January 26 at 10 a.m. at her home.

Other Business

Monterey Bay IBC meeting – Margaret McCann announced that this lunch meeting will be held on February 23. The cost is \$20 per person. Shannon Smith Crowley, the AAUW State Advocate lobbyist will be speaking.

- There will be an article in the newsletter, including the name of a carpool contact person.

Kathy Hansell announced that there will be a Membership Committee meeting at her home on January 9.

Jenny Redfern reminded everyone that the deadline for the newsletter is December 12.

Joan Ensign also announced that the December 20 Chamber Mixer would be held at the Willow Heights Mansion.

The next meeting will be on January 10 in the Oakwood School Library.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Crone, Secretary