

AAUW-Morgan Hill Board Meeting
Weston-Miles Architects, 17500 Depot Street, Suite 120, Upstairs Meeting Room
February 7, 2013

Attending: Margaret McCann, Janet McElroy, Elizabeth Mandel, Judy Kinker, Jenny Redfern, Betsy Ding, Kathy Hansell, Susan Oldham-Fritts, Peggy Martin, Joan Ensign, Carol O'Hare, Faith Protsman, Donna Dicker, Wendy Bell and Kathy Sullivan. A quorum of voting members was present.

The minutes of the January meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report—Treasurer (soon to be CFO) Peggy Martin reported that the balance in the operating account currently is \$11,693. Under Community Awareness, "mini-trade show" will be deleted from the list, as this activity is no longer available.

Programs—Carol and Wendy reported on upcoming events.

- Silicon Valley Reads #2 February 12, 7 pm – Mary Cortani will speak about Operation Freedom Paws at the Morgan Hill Library. Co-sponsored by Friends of the Library. FMHL to provide refreshments.

Attendance was about 30 at the January 31 Silicon Valley Reads event, much less than usual. Possible reasons were theme (invisible wounds of war), earlier date (usually Feb or March)

- March 14, 7 pm –"Pay Equity for Women: 50 years and we're still fighting for equal pay" with speaker Joan Goddard at Oakwood School Library. Swanee Edwards is doing online publicity.
 - Carol will ask Yvonne to create a flyer for posting
- Spring Brunch and Installation of Officers will be Saturday, May 18, 11 am at the Morgan Hill House. Presidents (Margaret and Janet) are in charge of the program, Hospitality (Margo) coordinates food and decorations. AAUW Funds honorees will be announced (Susan). Scholarship winners will be invited to attend (Margaret and Donna). Membership(Faith and Kathy) will conduct a drawing for free national membership.
 - Carol to secure certificate of insurance for MHHS and will give Margo the date.

Membership—Faith reported that we now have 155 members. She has been working with Peggy to get our figures to agree with national's. The branch has earned 3 free national memberships as a result of signing up new members at the Taste of MH. These can be given away in a drawing at the brunch from those who have renewed for 2013-2014. One might be used as a "scholarship" for a member who might not renew due to financial concerns. AAUW CA is proposing to increase state dues from \$16 to \$20, but this must be voted on at the annual meeting April 20. [Dues increase would not go into effect until 2014.]

- Wednesday, Feb 20, is New Member Wine and Whine at Rosy's at the Beach. Prospective members are also encouraged to attend.
 - Kathy H will call all new members to invite them. RSVPs will go to Faith
 - Elizabeth to post on Facebook.

Sandy Clark Memorial—Carol reported that \$600 has been given in Sandy’s memory, A committee compared of Jean Pinard, Joanne Rife, Susan O-F and Carol met and recommend donating the funds to Tech Trek to purchase a digital projector for use at Stanford Camp Curie.

- Carol to request check from ISPF
- Jean to notify the family.

AAUW Honorees—Susan and her committee have selected 3 honorees. The names will be announced at the spring brunch.

Wildflower Run—Elizabeth presented a detailed report on status of the Run, including publicity, contest for the runner wearing a tee shirt from the earliest run, new stroller/baby jogger category and SVE Timing issues. (See attached.)

- Judy to ask Guglielmo Winery for donation that will be used for “oldest” tee shirt contest.

*** Since Elizabeth has not yet been able to reach a consensus with SVE regarding timing and because contracts need board approval and time is running out, it was moved (Carol) and seconded (Judy) to authorize Elizabeth Mandel as Race Director to negotiate with SVE for timing for the Wildflower Run and to sign a contract on behalf of the branch.

To reach our goal of raising \$30,000, we need to increase run registrations, sponsorships and member donations. Racemine.com (SVE’s online registration) is bringing in more registrations than active.com. Wendy reported that last year 2/3 of registrations were made electronically.

- Wendy to add email addresses to database with goal of using email for “save the date” in the future.

We are registered to have a booth at Kid Fest sponsored by Out & About on March 9. (cost is \$50). Margaret will coordinate set-up and tear down. Booth will include branch display board with photos from previous runs, post cards and run registrations.

- Elizabeth to gather materials for booth, get photo enlargements
- Betsy to find volunteers to staff the booth.

Member donations are about \$3000 with 22% participating. Sponsors have reached \$8550 with \$250 donation from Anritsu made online.

Slate of Officers—Joan presented the slate of officers for 2013-14 from the nominating committee (Donna Dicker, Betsy, Peggy Pinarbasi and Joan) with suggestions from the Leadership Development Team. The slate is: president, Janet McElroy; President Elect Jenny Redfern; Program VP Margo Hinnenkamp, Membership Faith Protsman and Kathy Hansell; Treasurer/CFO Peggy Martin; and Secretary Marti Jurick. The slate will appear in the March newsletter with call for additional nominations. Voting via email will take place in April.

GEMS—Susan reported that the girls will participate in Science Alive in February and attend the AI< Women in Math conference in March.

Tech Trek—Janet reported for Elaine Reimer that she received 33 applications from 3 schools. After reviewing them, 22 girls were selected to be interviewed.

Scholarships and Staying in Touch grants—Margaret presented Donna’s report. Past community college scholarship winners were contacted and 3 completed applications for an SIT grant. The committee reviewed applications and will interview 2 women on Feb 11 and then decide how to distribute the allocation of \$1000.

Information has been sent to 13 community colleges financial aid directors about the availability of AAUW MH scholarships. Posters were also sent to be placed in financial aid offices. The scholarship application is now available on the branch website. West Valley College has offered to post our application on their scholarship website. Deadline for application is March 1, 2013.

Other topics--

- Inventory of AAUW supplies and equipment: how do we keep track of banners, signs, etc? A database would probably not be maintained, so would not be useful. It would be better to have 3 or 4 people designated to be responsible for inventory of certain areas, such as hospitality, run, misc. We would need a system to keep track of who has what. Perhaps it is time for an updated inventory; the last one was done in 2009.
 - Update inventory, designate who is responsible for keeping track of what items.
- Concern for members who live alone
 - Faith to try to add emergency contact information to membership application.
- Art a la Carte: The branch will not participate due to lack of interest.
- AAUW Watsonville luncheon with state president Alicia Hetman was attended by Betsy and Janet.
- The summer barbecue at the Cox home is scheduled for August 3. Traditionally, a past president has the responsibility to coordinate the event with the help of other past presidents. All details are documented in a Summer Barbecue experience binder.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol O’Hare, Acting Secretary