

AAUW Morgan Hill Board Meeting  
November 7, 2013  
Morgan Hill Community and Cultural Center, Madrone Room

Present: Joan Ensign, Jennifer Freeberg, Kathy Hansell, Marti Jurick, Judy Kinker, Elizabeth Mandel, Peggy Martin, Janet McElroy, Carol O'Hare, Susan Oldham-Fritts, Barbara Palmer, Faith Protsman, Jenny Redfern, Elaine Reimer, Joanne Rife, and Sandy Stoob.

A quorum was present.

**Call to Order/Announcements** - President Janet McElroy called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm. She welcomed new member Jennifer Freeberg. Janet thanked Peggy and Elaine for bringing refreshments.

**Minutes** - There being no corrections, the minutes of October 3, 2013 were approved as submitted.

**Finance Officer Report** - CFO Peggy Martin reviewed budget vs. actual as of 11/07/13 (see attached).

**Membership Report** - Faith reported that total membership is 157 to date. Kathy thanked Elaine, Barbara, and Carol for calling members who had not yet renewed. Faith announced that the branch has earned three free national memberships, the maximum possible. Barbara sends welcome e-mails to new members. She also sends event reminders to new members for the first 12 months and offers to arrange carpooling.

- Elizabeth will print mailing labels for the directory.
- Faith will research the format of the new logo for name badges.
- Janet will ask Margo to send a list of new members attending the Neighborhood Lunch and/or the Holiday Brunch.

**Programs** – The Neighborhood Lunch is scheduled for November 17 at Cinnabar Golf Club; The Holiday Party will be held on December 8 at Eagle Ridge. Janet said 12\* members have reservations through AAUW for the Philanthropy Dinner on November 16. Margaret McCann will be the AAUW honoree. In addition, there will be AAUW members with Friends of the Morgan Hill Library, honoring Joy Safakish, and with Red Cross, honoring Peggy Pinarbasi.

- Peggy will send a list to Margo of payments received for the Neighborhood Lunch and the Holiday Brunch.
- Jenny will take photographs at the November events.
- Janet will ask Susan Brazelton to take a photo of all AAUW members at the Philanthropy Dinner.
- Elizabeth suggested an e-mail be sent before the Neighborhood Lunch to remind members to pay for the Holiday Brunch.

**Website** – Janet indicated that Susan and Elizabeth should continue to send information directly to Laura; all others should send through Janet.

**AAUW Funds** – Carol explained that these funds are for programs at the national level. She presented a recommendation for distribution of the branch donation of \$12,400 to AAUW Funds among its various programs. Elizabeth noted that the Allocation Committee makes the recommendation as to how Run income is divided, including the amount given to AAUW Funds. Barbara recommended educating new members about the branch endowment and other AAUW Funds programs. There was some discussion

relating to starting a new endowment. The recommendation for distribution was accepted as submitted (attached).

**Wildflower Run Sponsor Committee** – Barbara noted the committee is first soliciting donations of \$500 and above in order to put company logos on postcards t-shirts, etc. Anyone who knows of a potential sponsor should check with Barbara to make sure the sponsor has not yet been contacted. The sponsor packet is available on the branch website.

- Faith will assist in contacting physicians who may become sponsors.

**Speech Trek** – Printed materials are awaiting approval. Per State regulations, all high school students are eligible to compete. A tutoring practice session will be held on January 8, 2014.

**Holiday Giving: Learning and Loving Center** – No Board approval is required to solicit donations of gift cards from Target, Walmart, Safeway, and Nob Hill.

**Bylaws** – Addition of GEMS job description was approved as submitted (attached).

Judy moved and Susan seconded, to increase amount of memorial donations from \$25 to \$50. After discussion, Judy and Susan agreed to amend the motion to increase the amount to \$100. Approved.

Judy noted that some changes to the Bylaws are mandated; others will require consideration by the Board, followed by a vote of the membership in April.

**GEMS** – Susan reported on trips to the Reed-Hillview Airport on October 19 and the Bay Area Science Festival on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. She discussed the movie “Girl Rising: Educate Girls, Change the World” and indicated the movie will be shown in Santa Cruz on December 5<sup>th</sup>.

- Janet will find out the cost to show the movie here; if cost is prohibitive, will consider attending the screening in Santa Cruz as the December Board meeting or rescheduling the meeting.
- Jennifer will assist in organization of the trip to Santa Cruz or the screening locally.

**Tech Trek** – Elaine reported the Committee met and has a new member.

**Smart E Girls** – Joan reported the new interest group met to share tips and questions about smart phones and other electronic devices. The group will meet regularly on the fourth Monday of the month from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

**Wildflower Run** – Elizabeth discussed kick-off meeting, use of e-mail instead of USPS, need for Publicity Chair. Penny Noel is to do graphics and ads in newspaper; Yvonne will do newsletter articles. Further discussion ensued regarding promotion, timing, registration, and RFID.

- At the Neighborhood Lunch, Carol will request volunteers for Publicity Chair.

**Other Business** – Reminder of free Poppy Jasper Festival showing at 11:30 on Friday, November 8. Membership Committee members are encouraged to attend the IBC meeting. Cost for Neighborhood Lunch is \$30; \$41 for Holiday Brunch is \$41. Jenny needs information for the newsletter. Janet’s granddaughter has a role in Miracle on 34<sup>th</sup> Street.

\*Sixteen members have now paid for the Philanthropy Dinner.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:48 PM.

Marti Jurick, Secretary

**Upcoming Events**

November 8, 9, 10 - Poppy Jasper Festival

November 16 - Philanthropy Dinner

November 17 - Neighborhood Lunch

November 18 – IBC Meeting

December 8 – Holiday Party