

AAUW Morgan Hill Board Meeting
March 6, 2014
Morgan Hill Community and Cultural Center, Madrone Room

Present: Joan Ensign, Kathy Hansell, Margo Hinnenkamp, Marti Jurick, Elizabeth Mandel, Peggy Martin, Janet McElroy, Carol O'Hare. Susan Oldham-Fritts, Faith Protsman, Jenny Redfern, and Joanne Rife. A quorum was present. Also present, Maggie Leininger.

Call to Order/Announcements - President Janet McElroy called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

Minutes - The minutes of February 6, 2014 were approved as submitted.

Finance Officer Report - CFO Peggy Martin presented the report (attached), noting an online check was returned to the account. Members will vote on increasing State dues \$4.00 effective in 2015. Discussion ensued regarding a \$9.00 increase in Branch dues, approved at the September 5, 2013 meeting. Branch Bylaws require that members vote on the increase. Jenny recommended information be provided to members to explain the reasons for the increase, how long it has been since the last increase, etc.

Membership Report – Faith Protsman reported two new members have joined, resulting in a total of 160 members, an increase of 32 percent over the past three years (based on AAUW records, which are different from branch figures). Kathy said approximately 40, including 7 new members, attended the New Member Wine and Whine on February 19. Faith indicated the April newsletter will include a reminder to members to renew before the Installation Brunch on May 17. Kathy said she has only nine branch note cards remaining.

- Elizabeth indicated that she will order more stationery.

Programs – Margo Hinnenkamp reported on recent programs: tour of Guglielmo Winery, Silicon Valley Reads. She discussed which members are going to hear Lilly Ledbetter speak at the South Bay Women's Conference on March 8. Susan Brazelton will be asked to take photographs at the Installation Brunch.

Wildflower Run – Elizabeth indicated the committee is looking for a source to rent A-frames and may buy some A-frames for parking lot signs. To expedite registration, 5K and 10K signs will be posted above the fence, with signs below to divided registrants alphabetically. Elizabeth noted there will be advertisements in Morgan Hill Times and Morgan Hill Life; she suggested the Board consider paying next year for an ad in Out and About. The Running Shop in the Ross shopping center will distribute shirts and bibs to runners from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on the day before the Run. Carol stated she received no reply to her email to Morgan Hill Today about the possibility of an article. Unused WFR postcards should be returned to Janet.

Wildflower Run Sponsor Committee – Carol reported for Barbara that \$18,250 has been received from sponsors to date. Peggy suggested students receiving scholarships write thank you notes to the sponsors. She also suggested Jamba Juice gift cards as thank you gifts for sponsors. The Sponsor Committee will decide. Carol noted 27 percent of members (including 94.4 percent of the Board) have donated, for a total of \$3,290.

High School Scholarships – Janet said Margaret McCann informed her that scholarship recipients have been chosen.

GEMS – Susan Oldham-Fritts presented a list (attached) of 2013-2014 activities, including Genetics Lab tour on March 8, Maker Faire on May 17, Bernal Historic Rancho Physics Day on June 17, and tour of TenCate Advanced Composites in October. GEMS girls are also invited to volunteer at the Wildflower Run.

Tech Trek – Janet read Elaine Reimer's list of the eight girls and one alternate chosen to attend Tech Trek.

Bylaws – Carol said Judy Kinker has sent a newsletter article to Jenny about the proposed changes, with instructions as to the voting process. At least 15 percent of the membership must vote for a quorum; for election of officers, a majority of the number voting is required; for dues increase or bylaws amendment, a two-thirds majority is required. Voting begins when the newsletter is published and must be completed by April 8.

State Convention – Carol, Jenny, Joan, and possibly Margaret will attend. The \$1,000 budgeted for the Convention will first be used to pay registration fees of those attending.

Other Business – Carol reported no applications have been received for the portion of Wildflower Run proceeds designated for the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders. She noted the only requirement is to report to the Branch about the Conference. Elizabeth suggested previous Tech Trek participants who are now in college might be possible candidates. Margo suggested Gavilan College be contacted.

Joan reminded members that the next Chamber of Commerce Mixer will be held at Commonwealth Credit Union from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on March 20.

Virginia Beck of AAUW CA will teach a Leadership Development class on June 28.

Janet distributed brochures relating to Equal Pay Day, April 8. Cookies, with 23% removed, will be given to teachers to distribute to students.

Jenny reminded the Board that the deadline for newsletter articles is March 10.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Marti Jurick, Secretary

Upcoming Events

March 8 – Lilly Ledbetter

April 13 – Wildflower Run

April 26 – AAUW San Jose Luncheon Meeting

May 17 – Installation Brunch

June 28 - IBC Leadership Development Training