

AAUW Morgan Hill Board Meeting
May 7, 2015
Morgan Hill Community and Cultural Center, Madrone Room

Present: Robin Bean, Donna Dicker, Joan Ensign, Marti Jurick, Maggie Leininger, Elizabeth Mandel, Peggy Martin, Janet McElroy, Carol O'Hare, Susan Oldham-Fritts, Joanne Rife, Sandy Stooob and guests Mary Cox and Barbara Palmer. A quorum of voting members was present.

Call to Order/Announcements - Co-president Susan Oldham-Fritts called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Members introduced themselves to Robin Bean, the new Facebook Lead.

Minutes - The minutes of April 2, 2015 retreat and regular meeting were approved as submitted.

Financial Report

- CFO Peggy Martin reviewed the financial report dated May 7, 2015. The report was accepted.
- Peggy needs receipts from members owed reimbursement for WFR expenses.

Membership Report

- Maggie Leininger reported 154 current members, of whom 13 have renewed memberships online. National sent an email this afternoon with a link for renewal. Maggie plans to have laptops at the Brunch so that members may renew,

Programs

- Janet McElroy reported 20 have signed up for the Brunch at 11:00 a.m., Sunday, May 17. Several scholarship recipients will be present.
- Kathy Sullivan needs more volunteers for Villa Mira Monte tours, a service the Branch provides in exchange for use of the facilities.
- Janet said 12 girls, mostly 7th and 8th graders, have submitted applications for Writer's Trek. Marty Cheek, Morgan Hill Life, will hold a journalism workshop on Saturday, May 16.
- Joan Ensign suggested we each call one member who is new or hasn't been seen recently and encourage her to attend the Brunch. Susan said her husband will take photographs.

Committee Reports

Leadership

Joan requested that the date each member joined be included in the database. Maggie said this is entered but may not be displayed. Elizabeth Mandel will ask Emily Shem-Tov whether the date can be included.

GEMS

- Susan reported that 13 girls, plus friends and chaperons, attended a trip to the Exploratorium on April 19.

- She said she surveys the girls regarding which STEM classes--especially advanced math and science--they are taking, in order to judge program influence. She plans activities based on interests and availability.
- GEMS will visit Elkhorn Slough in the Fall.

STEM Board position

Susan noted AAUW National is suggesting this position to increase branches' STEM involvement beyond Tech Trek. Elizabeth pointed out there are already two STEM-related positions—GEMS and Tech Trek. Susan expressed concern that the new position would add an additional administrative layer over GEMS and Tech Trek, and she requested the July Retreat include review and feedback concerning this.

Tech Trek

- Susan reported for Elaine Reimer. A Meet and Greet will be held at 6:30 p.m. on May 20 at Jamba Juice on Cochrane.
- Emails will be sent to inform members what items are needed for goodie bags. Donna said the list will also be distributed at the Meet and Greet.
- Dorm moms and alternates are needed for Tech Trek.
- Professional Women's Night will be held on Wednesday, July 15. We haven't yet been notified of the date for Chemistry Night, but it is usually Tuesday or Thursday.
- Members may visit the morning of July 16.
- Adults volunteering at Tech Trek must have Live Scan, which includes electronic fingerprinting and a background check.

Social Media

Susan welcomed new Facebook Lead Robin Bean.

New Business

Branch Archives

- Carol announced that the Branch has permission to store items at Villa Mira Monte. Items include three bins of photo albums dating from 1981 to 2009, a notebook of job descriptions for the WFR, the 1981 Branch Charter, and the program for the 20th anniversary.
- Peggy said she would be willing to scan and digitally store branch history information. Elizabeth said the WFR archives were scanned for the 30th anniversary book and will be linked from the "Run History" page of the Run website. She also maintains hard copies of the WFR archives.
- Carol noted the Branch will be 35 years old on December 16, 2015.

Other Business

Potential Fundraiser

Joan discussed the possibility of a gift show with handmade items from India. Because of restrictions on fundraising, this would need to be a private event.

Appreciation to Jamba Juice

Donna suggested a "thank you" day at Jamba Juice. Elizabeth noted Jamba Juice gift cards would make good gifts for teachers and graduates.

National Convention

Jenny Redfern, Elizabeth, Peggy, Joan, Barbara, Carol, Mary Cox, Carol Holzgrafe, and Joanne Rife will attend. Peggy will send a check for 1/9 of \$2,000 to each attendee.

Leadership MH

Robin Bean, Gretchen Merrick, and possibly Pat Toombs will attend Media Day.

Bylaws

Judy Kinker gave the certified copy of the approved revised Bylaws to Co-President Susan.

Contributions to AAUW

Susan said MH Branch is #6 in the state for total donations.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Marti Jurick, Secretary

Upcoming Events

May 16, Writer's Trek Journalism Workshop

May 17, Spring Brunch, 11:00 a.m.

May 20, Tech Trek Meet and Greet, 6:30 p.m., Jamba Juice on Cochrane

May 31, tentative date for "thank you day at Jamba Juice

July 4, Parade

July 26, Board Retreat, 1:00-6:00 p.m.