

## **AAUW Morgan Hill Board Meeting**

**September 6, 2018**

**Morgan Hill Centennial Recreation Center (CRC), Meeting Room 1**

Present:

### **Board members**

Peggy Martin, Maggie Leininger, Joy Safakish, Katie Scanlon, Judy Kinker, Deb Buchanan, Margie Snively, Carol O'Hare, Suman Ganapathy, Barbara Palmer, Pat Toombs Janet McElroy, Susan Fritts, Jenny Redfern, Elizabeth Mandel.

### **AAUW members**

Margaret McCann, Mary Cox.

### **Regrets**

Coleen Colwell, Janet Wright, Gretchen Merrick, Donna Dicker.

### **Call to Order/Announcements/Acknowledgments**

Co-President Maggie Leininger called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Maggie confirmed we have a quorum.

Guest speaker Maureen Tobin, Morgan Hill City Communications, spoke 5 minutes concerning the legislative action by CA State which will override MH City's growth control plan. MH City will be required to comply. High density growth is going to happen. Maureen wants to notify the community this is coming. The focus will be on low income/affordable housing. For details see MH city website, click Housing, then see HAA (Housing Accountability Act) for more details.

### **Announcements:**

Philanthropy honoree: Jenny Redfern will be honored at the Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> 2018 Annual Philanthropy Celebration.

Leadership Morgan Hill's project: City utility boxes are finished painting by Suman's team of artists.

### **Minutes**

1. Board Retreat minutes – no changes
2. August meeting minutes changes: will add addendum – Board did a vote via email for the 2018-19 budget and it was passed. Mary & Mike Cox announced that maybe 2020 will be the last year of summer barbecue at their home – add '**maybe**' to the minutes.

Email from CA State update: it's undecided whether AAUW-CA will be allowed to change back to a public benefit corporation (preferred action) or will have to go thru the re-incorporation process (a lot of money and time). Members received a legal notice from the State of CA informing them of the next meeting concerning this matter on September 25, 2018.

### **CFO Report**

Katie Scanlon presented.

On August 3, the new budget for 2018/2019 was approved via email vote. Barbecue expenses are all in. Administrative and gifts expenses for Taste of MH submitted by Peggy. Peggy has received an extra invoice from AAUW CA State for liability insurance in the amount of \$360. This will come out of the ISPF account not the operating budget.

Storage unit 10' x 10' is now available for use. Pat Toombs asked if we would like to purchase renter's insurance. Katie Scanlon recommends no. Pat Toombs will find out the cost.

The Operating Account has an ending balance of \$20,151.96

### **Membership**

Jenny Redfern presented. We now have 176 current members, 32 not renewed. She had only 1 response to her reminder email. Monica McClintock will be sending a final U.S. mail letter to those not renewed. National database has 22 members who live in M.H. but don't have a local membership. She'll contact them.

Membership Luncheon signups going well.

Square charging option: Square Corporation charges 2.75% per each charge. Proposal is to charge new members who want to use the Square credit/debit card reader when renewing a possible \$3.00 surcharge. Need to establish a protocol for using Square.

Motion: To add a user fee to Square transactions. Motion passed.

### **Programs**

Margie Snively presented. She gave a big thank you to all who helped with August's program featuring Stephen Pifer, former US Ambassador to Ukraine. Jenny states he'll be speaking at the Travel Tips interest group meeting soon. The October program will be about the gut microbiome.

Margaret McCann encouraged members to distribute her flyer on the Candidate Forum which can be found on Dropbox. Please post to your own social media accounts. Margaret also would like to encourage people to send in their questions. Second forum has been added and will feature the MHUSD School Board candidates. AAUW MH will be working with Rotary and the student Interact Club. Students will be moderating the forum. We'll take questions from students and community. Forum will be held on Monday Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>, 6pm at Sobrato High School. Margaret & Janet McElroy will create a flyer.

### **Leadership Development**

Janet McElroy presented. ~~Allocations Committee will now be handling the monies for the scholarship for Leadership Morgan Hill.~~ Suman spoke how much she learned and benefited from participating in LMH. Her graduation is Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>, social hour 5pm and ceremony is 6-8pm at Guglielmo Winery. A Leadership MH information meeting will be held in October – contact Janet if you know of someone interested in attending next year.

On Sat. January 26, at Villa Mira Monte a workshop is being planned for new & interested AAUW members. Purpose is to get members excited in AAUW and more involved in our branch.

### **Bylaws**

No presentation

### **Allocations & Scholarships**

No presentation

### **Tech Trek**

Joy Safakish presented. Five of 8 campers have sent RSVP for Fall Brunch. Sue Phea, new member, is helping at the prep meeting.

## **GEMS**

Susan Oldham-Fritts presented. First program is a play, *Nobelles*, about women who have/have not received Nobel Prize. In the past GEMS surveys have gone unanswered so participants are now required to submit a completed survey at the beginning of the program year. Susan is working with Marygrace Colby on a trip to Santa Clara University. On Nov. 3 is the Bay Area Science Fair which has free entrance but a parking fee. December program is Tech Museum visit. Other activities are Future Women's Leader Workshop, Wildflower Run and Monterey Bay Aquarium.

## **Wildflower Run**

Pat Toombs presented. Run date March 31, 2019, Margaret McCann will be hosting the WFR Board meetings. Positions open are 2k, 2k prizes, finish fest, etc. Based on earlier discussion this evening, Pat states she'll now rent a 10x13 storage space; the 10x10 is not big enough. (Cochrane Storage gave her ½ price for a year due to our non-profit status). Joy Safakish has some shelving to donate. Susan Persing is storing items for the run course and may want to have them in our storage locker. It is expected that the full fee of \$1000 will need to be paid to Santa Clara County Roads in 2019 for use of county roads during the run. Pat will determine the costs of bigger storage & shelving. Peggy wants to know where the dollars will come from for shelving and points out that we will need to have the additional costs approved by the Board. Pat is on vacation next week for 2 weeks.

Elizabeth Mandel announced Tee Shirt Contest winner is a graphic women artist from Georgia. Promotional cards will be ready for the Taste of Morgan Hill.

## **Wildflower Fund Giving Campaign**

No presentation.

## **WFR Sponsor team**

No presentation.

## **Public Policy/LAF**

No presentation.

**Dropbox** – Maggie & Peggy are still working on it. Eventually will need cloud storage. Note: Financial files should not ever be added to Dropbox.

## **New/Other Business**

Taste of Morgan Hill article went into our newsletter. Volunteers requested. Barbara Palmer's quilt will be displayed in our Taste of Morgan Hill booth. Also needed are Membership materials and flyers for political forums for the Taste.

Maggie spoke to simplifying processes. Streamlining our newsletter and reducing meeting event times.

## **Adjourn**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:59

Joy Safakish for Coleen Colwell