

January 3, 2019 AAUW-Morgan Hill Board Meeting

7 pm, CRC Meeting Room 1

Attendance:

Board Members: Maggie Leininger, Peggy Martin, Coleen Colwell, Katie Scanlon, Carol O'Hare, Janet McElroy, Christine Hopwood, Jenny Redfern, Susan Oldham-Fritts, Pat Toombs, Yvonne Randolph, Barbara Palmer, Elizabeth Mandel, and Deb Buchanan-Plaisance.

Members: Joan Ensign, Joanne Rooney and Sherrie Wren

Regrets: Gretchen Merrick and Susan Rife

Maggie called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Announcements

Mary Cox reminds members to nominate members for AAUW Honoree Program, certificates will come from State.

Mary, Pat, Maggie, and Joy were honored last year.

Criteria for nomination: Members who promote AAUW's mission; time of service; have held multiple jobs; performed community service related to AAUW. Send email nominations to Mary Cox. Honorees are announced at May brunch.

Minutes

One revision, corrected copy in Dropbox.

Minutes accepted as corrected.

AAUW State and National Updates

This will stay on the agenda to discuss as needed; nothing new at this time.

Jenny invites all to review National's positions and public policy positions and to comment online.

PA System Update

Peggy reports considering approaching Peter Mandel for help, as he seems helpful and knowledgeable, hopefully have a system for leadership workshop 1/26/19

CFO report: Katie Scanlon

Expenses from Hospitality for Christmas lunch are in.

\$19,990.05: Operating ending balance 12/31/18

Membership: Jenny Redfern

Newest member information passed out.

National roster has been updated.

Our membership dropped from 180 to 170, but those lost were not active participants.

We continue to have new members join, 2 new members joined at the Holiday Lunch.

Sharon Duncan and Amanda Gross are other new members who have just joined.

Branch Directory has been updated on our website, submit any personal changes to Jenny for the Directory.

Plans under way for February New Member Wine and Whine

Programs and Speech Trek: Yvonne Randolph/Joanne Rooney

Joanne reported Speech Trek will occur on 1/22/19. Topic: How do we eliminate violence in our schools? So far only have 4 participants signed up. Oakwood High School and Live Oak High Schools have been contacted to encourage more participants. Volunteers needed to help with judging and time keeping. Prizes awarded are \$100, \$200, \$300 for 3rd, 2nd & 1st places respectively. Discussion about how to increase participation.

Proposed to limit only to MHUSD boundary high school students, possibly change for next year.

Yvonne reported on programs. She has been talking with Danielle Thibadeau from Disney to present about women animators. Danielle is set to come; she will bring a projector. Topic will be about women animators. Date: 2/26/19 at library. Danielle works with schools and children all day, so the talk will be appropriate for any young artist. Yvonne is concerned about the size of room in library, trying to plan for all contingencies, possibly invite Danielle to dinner.

March program not yet firmed up.

Leadership Development: Janet McElroy

Janet reported 1/26/19 workshop lined up, hoping for 25 participants. Location: Villa Mira Monte from 9am-11am.

Carolyn Garfein will be speaking from 11:00am – noon.

Barbara Palmer sending email to new members about attending.

Wildflower Fund Campaign: Carol O'Hare

Carol reported that an email is going out requesting donations for the Fund.

Community Actions Grant: Susan Rife

Maggie reported about a meeting on 1/19/19 which funded 7 out of 9 community grant applications. Total funded: \$4,000, breakdown:

Discovery Counseling Center - \$750.00

Community Solutions - \$1,000.00

Learning and Loving Center - \$900.00,

BookSmart Community Advantage - \$250.00

San Martin School Athletics - \$500.00

Future Women's Leadership Conference - \$300.00

South Valley Science and Engineering Fair -- \$300.00

GEMS: Susan Fritts

Susan reported on an outing of group of 7 to Tech Museum.

All participants were interested and excited, all saw Body World exhibit.

May will finish with Monterey Bay Aquarium, possibly 2nd week.

Wildflower Run: Pat Toombs and Deb Buchanan

Have received 15 registrations to date.

Group discussed the amount of runner tee shirts. It was decided that the first 700 to pick up their packet will get a t-shirt.

Packet pickup will be held at the new BookSmart location.

Wildflower Run Sponsor: Barbara Palmer

Barbara reported that she is happy with the progress to date.

New member Heather Perlich from Bruce's Custom Covers is a sponsor for \$2,500. Yay!

Stacy Forgey asked Domenichini Construction, and \$1,000 check arrived

Johnson's Lumber increased donation to \$1,000

RBG film, MH Chamber of Commerce donated proceeds of \$350
PG&E check for \$2,500 came in
The Family Wealth Consulting Group (Peggy Martin) \$2,500
Anaerobe \$1000
Edward Boss Prado Foundation (Cecelia Ponzini) \$1,500
Recology \$1,000
Chiala Farms \$1,000
Santa Clara Water has promised
Stratford School has promised
Ford Store maybe, they have always given \$1,500 in the past
Rosy's \$500
Tencate expected
Dividend Homes gave \$1,000 last year
Other leads and possibilities...
Deadline for large sponsors 1/7/19
With checks in hand \$13,103

Women's March: Jenny Redfern

Jenny reported that the Women's March is to be held 1/19/19 this year
There is some controversy surrounding discrimination accusations, organizers are passionate about participation being focused on marginalized women.
AAUW needs to be careful about being partisan or endorsing or opposing any particular candidate. It was decided that we would not march as a group since National has chosen to remove its support. This means the marchers will not be able to use the banner.
Jenny will let us know what time and where to meet, lunch after has been proposed.

Dropbox and other business: Peggy and Maggie

On hold

Future Women's Leaders Conference: Margaret McCann

Peggy reported that she has met participants at Margaret's house. New logo has been proposed with a girl reaching up, and an astronaut reaching down, with stars in the background, and same tag line. This year's participants are excited about being a part of the branding process.

Website is being created for the event, low cost: for domain name only \$20+/-/year because it will be hosted thru AAUW's main site.

Date of event: 4/6/19

Margaret will give more detail at next Board meeting.

Simplifying processes and miscellaneous items: Maggie & Peggy

Moved to Board Retreat meeting.

4th of July parade. A suggestion was made that marchers wear a ball cap and/or t-shirt from member's alma maters. Lots of feedback so we will revisit this in February.

Peggy reported on Cecilia Ponzini's opening of her career closet. She is an active community leader, so we need to be cognizant of how we support her organization and keep our entities separate. We can encourage and support the organization and its goals but not solicit donations for her organization.

Discussed AAUW's City Council meeting attendance. Plan is to speak about road safety on Watsonville Road after the death of Margie Snively. Council meeting is 1/23/19.
Wear purple sweatshirts, maybe hold photo of Margie (Elizabeth Mandel will print)
There will be an email blast with further details.

Silicon Valley Reads author talk is on the same day as Leadership Workshop and Friends of the Library book sale: 1/26/19. Talk will be about searching for your ancestors.

Margie's memorial is actually at 10:00am; typo on agenda.

Respectfully submitted,

Coleen Colwell

Adjourn @ 8:37