



**AAUW Morgan Hill Branch
Board Meeting Minutes
January 4 2024 7:00-9:00 pm
Location: In Person CRC MTG Room 1 and via Zoom**

Meeting was called to order by Suman Ganapathy at 7:03pm.

Quorum was present: Yes

12 Board members present: Suman Ganapathy, Krisse Boursier, Carol O'Hare, Bobbie Erb, Barbara Palmer, Tammy Parker, Elizabeth Mandel, Janet McElroy, Tessy Albin
3 Board members present via Zoom: Joy Safakish, Doris Fredericks, Nancy Altman
2 Non-Board members present: Laura Whitaker, Yvonne Randolph

Introductions:

All present introduced themselves.

Approval of December 2023 minutes:

The minutes were approved as presented

Updates:

- Carol O'Hare shared that we had received some Christmas cards

Finance (Tessy Albin):

Cash Balance at 12/31/23 = \$ 16,653.60, lower than prior month by (\$ 617) due to timing of holiday party deposits.
For the 6 months ended December 2023 cash balance is lower by (\$ 2,666.)
Holiday Party net cost = (\$ 66.74) great job!

- See attached Treasurer's Report

Membership Report (Barbara Palmer):

- We acquired no new members in December
- We have a total of 188 members
- The team is busy planning the new member Wine & Whine for April
 - We discussed various venue possibilities
 - They will meet on 1/17
- The idea of more actively recruiting College students was discussed
- See attached Membership Report

Programs/DEI (Janet McElroy):

- January 30 (not the 4th Tuesday this time) will be a DEI program
 - Title not firm yet but considering: "How can we rise above the stereotypes?"
 - Presentation will be by Cindy Chavez, Santa Clara County Supervisor
 - Getting some help from a new marketing team
 - not sure if we have time to get an article in Morgan Hill Life
- We have been getting a lot of community attendance - thanks to social media (like NextDoor)

Bylaws (Carol O'Hare):

- Motion to approve Affiliate Mandated Bylaws
 - Motion carried
- Motion to approve updates to the Policies & Procedures I-Vil
 - Motion carried

Midyear Retreat (Suman and Carol O'Hare)

Discussed what the intent of this retreat will be -

With the help/guidance of Sharyn Siebert, AAUW CA director of branch support, the intent is to help the Bylaws Committee gather the input they need to decide how we might proceed with regard to:

- Board size
- Term limits for appointed positions and committee chairs

Wildflower Run (Joy Safakish, Bobbie Erb, Elizabeth Mandel):

- So far we have 99 registered runners
- Members are encouraged to share the social media and email posts for the run
 - Suman will be getting some help from Kristi Cole on social media posting
- Still looking for some help in key areas
 - Tammy is doing the Misc Contracts for now but might need someone to step in if necessary in March as she will be gone for that month
 - have reached out to the EMTs and Golden State Porta Potties
 - have not reached out yet for table/chair rentals
 - Need someone to head up the Kids 2K and Fun Runs
 - Need someone to be trained to help Joy as the SVE Timing liaison
 - Need someone to be trained to help Elizabeth with the bulk marketing mailings, management of contacts
 - Need someone to help Elizabeth with video repository setup/usage
 - LDT has been doing their best to help out with these needs
- MHUSD granted us a discount on the LO High School rental
- Elizabeth shared the latest update on sponsorships from Amy Whelan
 - postcards are being ordered with sponsor logos based on the current confirmed list of \$1000+ sponsors.
- see attached Wildflower Run report

Public Policy (Suman for Susan Rife):

- Discussed having a Candidate forum in September only (no forum before the Primaries)
 - Will reserve the City Hall Council Chambers for this

Newsletter (Krisse Boursier):

- Will be reaching out for articles for the March/April newsletter
- Still looking for another editor
- Elizabeth and Carol have been gathering our history - member articles and photo archives and are considering how to make it accessible
 - perhaps a password protected page similar to our directory for perusal
- The January/February newsletter was released last weekend

Tech Trek (Krisse):

- Nothing new to report - still in a holding pattern with regard to where the camps will be this year

Year's Goals and Objectives Check-in (Suman):

- For the sake of time, will do a check-in next month on this

Open Floor:

- Yvonne R shared what she has been up to as a docent at the Monterey Bay Aquarium
- Laura W shared some info about herself - she volunteers at the San Martin Animal Shelter and recently retired from the tech industry
- Bobbie shared some updates from the YWL report as it was not on the agenda
 - see attached YWL report

Upcoming Events :

- Morning Mingle - January 11 10:00am - Mohi Farm
- Midyear Board Retreat - 1/13 10:30am - 3pm - Jackson Oaks Clubhouse
- Philanthropy Awards Night Gala - November 10 6:00pm - CCC
- Wine and Whine - January 17 5:30-7pm - Location to be Determined
- DEI Program - January 30 7:00pm - MH Library
- Next Board meeting - February 1 7:00pm- CRC

Meeting Adjourned at 8:38pm

Respectfully Submitted by Tammy Parker, Secretary

Treasurer's Report (Tessy Albin):

AAUW Financial Report 2023-2024 Fiscal Year					1	Beginning Balance 7/1/23	\$ 19,319.77
Operating Account 6/30/23 Balance					2	Plus Income/Deposits 7/1/23- 6/30/24	\$ 8,181.00
					3	Less Disbursements 7/1/23 - 6/30/24	\$ (10,847.17)
Operating Account					4	Ending Balance 6/30/24	\$ 16,653.60
		Deposits	Expenses	Balance			
Opening Balance	7/1/2023			\$ 19,319.77			
	7/31/2023	\$ 2,827.00	\$ (2,533.03)	\$ 19,613.74			
	8/31/2023	\$ 1,003.00	\$ (1,821.49)	\$ 18,795.25			
	9/30/2023	\$ 1,103.00	\$ (1,722.96)	\$ 18,175.29			
	10/31/2023	\$ 1,447.00	\$ (1,811.70)	\$ 17,810.59			
	11/30/2023	\$ 542.00	\$ (1,082.26)	\$ 17,270.33			
	12/31/2023	\$ 1,259.00	\$ (1,875.73)	\$ 16,653.60			

Membership Report (Barbara Palmer and Sherrie Wren):

JANUARY BOARD REPORT
MEMBERSHIP
1-4-24

No new members have joined since December. There haven't been any inquiries about joining. We currently have 188 members. The Membership Team is meeting on January 17 to start planning for the NMWW. If any board members have ideas for a 2024 venue or additions/changes to last year's event, please let Sherrie or Barbara know before the January 17 Membership Team meeting. We will have far fewer new members invited to NMWW than last year so we may be able to use the MH House again.

Sherrie Wren, Membership
Barbara Palmer, New Member Mentor/Membership

WFR Report (Joy Safakish, Bobbie Erb):
Wildflower Run Report JAN 4 Board Meeting

WFR registration total as of 1/3/2024 = 99 on RunSignUp.

Update of Chair positions

1. Tammy Parker has started work on Misc. Contracts for EMTs, Porta potties, & Table-Chairs. She will give these duties to a new Chair, if found. Tammy is gone most of March.
2. For Sound System Chair, Ray Parker, (Tammy's husband) & Kiran Vittal (Harpreet's husband) will be in charge. Ray has done this job for the past two WFRs.
3. Suman is handling the Community Outreach marketing job this year.
4. Open positions:
 - Kids 2K and 2K Fun Run
 - SVE Timing Contract & Liaison
 - Electronic Outreach, Photo Management, Video Management

Chair Details at:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1nJNtUueZNS9A1GzMiUoYRINvtwr4qOle-jv7DvQpAvU/edit?usp=sharing>

12/28/23 - A meeting took place between Volunteer Chair Sherrie with Bobbie, Joy and MIM Chair Vicky R. who will help Chairs find volunteers for their committees. An organized effort can help new chairs and make sure our members aren't repeatedly asked to help by multiple persons.

12/18/23 - The expected discount on the LOHS property rental was granted. A savings of \$1,915.00 was earned because Ricky Carrillo, MHUSD Director of Grounds and Maintenance, waived the cost, "Please remove all costs except for custodial on this rental."

- 10/17/2023 Reservation acceptance date on Facilitron. The estimated total: \$2,554.28
- Reservation payment was made based on rental request: \$639.28
- The remaining amount, without the discount was: \$1,915.00

Note: Cost increase: cost of registration last race was \$336.92, this race is \$639.28

12/14/23 WFR meeting - Susan Hines suggested to eliminate Goody bags & instead sending them to the Science booth in Finish Fest to pick their own G.bag items from the prizes that Susan has there.

Action: Susan to meet with Kim Garner and Linda Martinez. More discussion needed. See December Agenda & Minutes at

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/13uG2NXfzLlSkQ2XcYJJSQM5mkBBq-v5z/edit?usp=sharing&oid=116361268942609341802&rtpof=true&sd=true>

Misc. Open Issues

- Location of monthly WFR meetings
- Tracking & responsibility of various dignitaries who may attend WFR
- Ongoing distribution of collector cards

Young Women Leaders (Carol Ferri, Bobbie Erb):

YWL January Report

YWL chose topics for the Leadership Conference at their December meeting.

The venue fee for Central Continuation High School for the YWL Leadership Conference has been paid by AAUW

Currently the YWL members are reaching out to potential presenters for the Leadership Conference

YWL Leaders are designing marketing flyers, and completing the SVCE grant for the conference

YWL Co-advisors are compiling a list of outreach contacts to disseminate conference information

Next YWL meeting is set for January 8th.

YWL will need a few AAUW volunteers on March 9, 2024 to help with registration and lunch distribution.

Submitted by,

Carol Ferri, YWL Co-advisor

Scholarship Report (Stacey Moeder):

AAUW Board Report

Scholarship Report

January 3, 2023

1. All scholarships for the 2022/2023 academic year have been awarded. For details please review the 2023 Scholarship summary report at [2023 AAUW Scholarship Summary Report.xlsx - Google Sheets](#)
2. The 2023/2024 academic year process will begin with KIT in January 2024, followed by High School. Reentry and Health Care are awarded in May 2024.

Submitted by:

Stacy Moeder

Scholarship Coordinator