



PHILO GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Feb. 9, 2016

WELCOME

President Nita Starr called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. And thanked our hostesses for the evening: Marthann Dahlen, Denise Rhoads, and Juanita Cisneros.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

The minutes from our meeting of Jan. 12, 2016 were motioned for approval by Kay Robinson and seconded by Miki Roth. Minutes were approved.

Treasurer: Treasurer Shellie Gutierrez was absent so Recording Secretary Dianna Boehner reported on the current balances in our accounts: General Fund \$19585.25, Golf/ scholarship \$16,216.10, DOWH \$ 5,523.15, and King Soopers \$2,475.77.

Report was motioned for approval by Florence Doksansky and seconded by Jan Dougherty. Report was approved.

There were no other Board member reports.

Guest Presentation: Florence Doksansky, chair of our Blood Drive Committee introduced: Christina DiGialdonardo from Poudre Valley Blood Donation Center talked about how important our Blood Drive is to our community. "Blood is something that you can't create, it must be shared from another living person". She introduced a blood recipient, Melinda who told of her great need for blood, resulting in her life being spared. Christina also introduced Wes, a Philo scholarship recipient who's also a blood donor. Please consider donating.

Our next blood drive is scheduled for Feb. 23, 2016. Please consider registering to donate blood.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

EARLY CHILDHOOD

Chair Susan Kuhn reported on a source for free books, found by Peg Isakson, which consists of "over run" books published by Simon Schuster, of which the committee was able to get and then donate another 3 books to each preschool classroom.

The committee's project for this year is making felt characters from the stories of 4 pre-kindergarten books to be given to each classroom for their Felt story boards.

The committee also purchased 20 complete career costumes with hats for the classrooms. The committee members will now make other costumes from the patterns taken from these costumes, so each classroom will have more costumes to enjoy in make believe play.

ALTERNATIVES TO VIOLENCE

Chair Karen Pielin reported that ATV was very appreciative of our previous donations. The new Safe House will be finished in April.

The date for this year's ATV fund raiser "Pastels on 5th" will be on Sept 5.

DOWH

Chair Dona Menzies was not present, but Board President Nita Starr asked for more members to sign up to help with the Kids Pak packing of weekend meal bags, to be held on Wed morning Feb. 17 at 8:45am.

DUCK RACE TICKETS

Due to our original chair moving out of state, and her helper, who has a family illness situation, this committee currently has no members. Peggy Pellizzari asked our membership if we should continue with this committee, which usually results in \$1000. going into our General Fund. Kay Robinson and Betty Brammer have volunteered to be our new committee to finish out our year.

GOLF COMMITTEE

Chair Sheila Pottorff reported that 28 sponsorship letters have been mailed to our previous sponsors.

President Nita Starr reported that the Board was approached by the Scholarship committee to write an announcement in our newsletter asking members to contribute more money for this year's scholarships, due to the reduction in funds received. Which was due to dissolution of a grant received the last 2 years. Nita reported that the Board decided to not honor this request to ask more from our members at this time.

Vice President Cindy Kurtz explained that every member should help to bring in new sponsors, that it is not just a committee responsibility to do this, and asked us to consider approaching anyone we can.

Members are asked to email Sheila with any new sponsorship prospects, ASAP.

Bonnie Hanson, member reiterated that we have a unique scholarship program and need help from all our members to increase the scholarship fund. Every year we have more applicants in need of our help.

SCHOLARSHIP

Miki Roth, chair, stated that our scholarship application date is March 25. Aug 2, will be our next Scholarship recipients Reception.

SPRING SOCIAL

Judy Grommon, chair, stated that our Philo Spring Appreciation Dinner will be held on Tues, May 10 at the Garden Room. Invitations will be available for pickup at our April General meeting.

SUNSHINE

Marthann Dahlin, chair, reported on the cards that were mailed to members: Ann Anderson, Barb Worden, Cindy Kurtz, Julie Mahaffy, Nancy Guffey, and Miki Roth. Also, Stella McCormick broke her hip and arm, but is doing well. She then announced our Feb. birthdays.

WEBSITE

Peggy Pelizzari, chair, reminded members that any new information or changes to your contact info. should be reported very soon. More member photos are needed for next year's yearbook.

We will start our online committee sign-ups Mar.20 and it continues thru April 2. There is a change from last year, as this year the current chair names will not be listed. You are to let Peggy know by email who will be the chair. Remember monthly hostesses are always needed, as well.

Please, current chairs ...check to see if you have enough sign up lines for new member names listed for your committee and let Peggy know if it needs to be changed ASAP.

Next month meeting will include a review of how to sign up. Instructions will also be sent by email.

No other committee reports.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:52pm.

Respectively submitted,

Dianna Boehner, Recording Secretary