Philo General Meeting Minutes March 13, 2012

Juanita Cisneros, President, called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. with 32 active members present, and 8 honorary members.

Juanita thanked hostesses Dianna Boehner, Georgeanne Smith, Sara Quale, and Cathy Carroll. There was one prospective member in attendance.

<u>Recording Secretary</u>. Connie Ephland reported in Linda Stangel's absence that the February meeting minutes should be corrected to state that the hostess responsibility and its requirements description be provided in the Committee Descriptions. As a point of record, the obligation as hostess chairman will be as hostess plus 2 committees, or as a hostess committee member an obligation to 3 committees. A motion was made by Anne Anderson and seconded by Trudy Eckhardt to approve the minutes as amended.

<u>President, Juanita Cisneros</u> reported that she has the following goals to complete her term as president. One is to clean out the storage locker that includes Christmas decorations. It was recommended to donate those items to ARC and/or to the Boys and Girls Club. Items to remain in Philo's possession include a tea set and punch bowls. Members are welcome to purchase items. Marthann Dahlen volunteered to help. Number two is to archive Philo records with the Loveland Museum, and three is balancing the budget.

Juanita announced the nomination of new Philo members, Vicki Thompson, Beth Soderquist, Angela Thompson, Jennifer Danielson, Jennifer Bao, and Ruth Spring.

Nominations for the 2012-13 board members were presented: Heather Morrison as Vice-President. A motion to accept the nomination was made by Stephani Bradley and seconded by Shannon Voggesser. Pam Pellizzari was nominated as Corresponding Secretary. A motion was made by Joyce Krantz and seconded by Anne Anderson to accept the nomination.

<u>Vice-President Sheila Pottorff</u> was absent. Juanita reminded members to sign up for committees on the sign-up sheets provided.

<u>Treasurer Peggy Pellizzari</u> reported that there is a balance of \$17,101 in the General Fund and \$21,032 in the Scholarship Fund. Peggy discussed the shortage in club operations account. Peggy presented a proposal to increase member dues from \$35 to \$50 for members and from \$15 to \$25 to honorary members. The bylaws require the executive board to recommend the annual dues to the membership in September. It was determined that this item needs further review and will be brought forth again for further discussion.

Corresponding Secretary Connie Ephland had no report.

Historian Marthann Dahlen requested contributions of pictures from committee activities.

Committee Reports

<u>Golf Tournament</u>: Diane Dynes announced that the registration forms and posters are available on the member web page. Diane encouraged members to assist Gerry Henderson in the recruitment of sponsors.

Integrated Early Childhood: Stevie Benkendorf said there was no report at this time.

<u>Publicity</u>: Peg Isakson spoke about Philo having a booth at the Corn Roast Festival as well as some creative thoughts on involvement in the parade which is on August 25th. At least 30-40 members need to participate be it pushing grocery carts or riding in golf carts to express the presence of Philo in the community.

<u>Rotary Duck Race Tickets</u>: Judy Potter encouraged members to pick up their tickets as well as sell tickets.

<u>Social Committee</u>: Shannon Voggesser announced a ladies night on March 23rd at 5:30 p.m. at Studio Vino. A walking scavenger hunt is scheduled on April 14 and she encouraged teams of 4-5 people represent a team theme.

<u>Spring Social</u>: Karen Pielen announced the Spring Social will be held on May 8th at the Best Western. Invitations will be available at the April meeting.

<u>Sunshine</u>: Bonnie Hanson reported that Pam Clifford had surgery and is recovering successfully. She also announced that Eunice Holthusen recently celebrated her 50th wedding anniversary.

<u>Blood Drive</u>: Heather Morrison reported that there were 64 donors at the last blood drive.

<u>Outside Philo Activities</u>: Denise Olson mentioned that Pastels is scheduled September 8th and suggested that Philo might want to consider having some presence since this event supports Alternatives to Violence.

Newsletter Deadline is March 25.

<u>Philo Visioning Session</u>: Kathy Loken and Joyce Krantz provided the format for describing the process for the re-visioning of Philo to be conducted at the March and April meetings. Members who committed to remain after the meeting were divided into groups of 3. Each group will have a facilitator and recorder. Marthann Dahlen, Shannon Voggesser and Connie Ephland volunteered to facilitate. The members will be asked to respond to the 3 questions provided. 1) What has worked well for you as a Philo member?

2) What are the challenges that have limited Philo from growing and retaining members? 3) What would Philo look like in the perfect world? Responses will be written on sticky notes and collected on the appropriate poster boards. Data collected will be assimilated by a task force and presented to the membership in the fall. Organizational changes would go into effect in 2013-14.

The next general meeting is April 10.

Respectfully submitted, Connie Ephland, Corresponding Secretary