



DATE: September 10, 2019

TIME STARTED : 7:02

CALLED TO ORDER: By Rita Harden, Vice President

HOSTESSES: Ruth Swanty, Jennifer Wilson, Natalie Parker, Jeanne Findley

BOARD REPORTS:

VICE PRESIDENT - Rita Harden reported on meeting with new members to share roles and functions of membership in Philo.

SECRETARY Peg Isakson Minutes of June and April were available at each table. No corrections made, Florence Doksansky moved to approve the minutes. Seconded and approved.

TREASURER Stephanie Butts reported on current balances in accounts. DineOutWithHeart (for Christmas Food Baskets)- \$8,957.71 Golf Tournament (for Scholarships) – \$19,409.42 General Account (for committee tasks) \$19,748.59

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY – Natalie Parker reported that two donations were received in memory of Ann Moore. A note of appreciation and resignation was read from Gerta Fereday, who has moved out of state.

GROUP ACTIVITY: - Members shared, around their tables, recent book titles they had read.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: A letter was read from Shannon V. expressing 1-her apology for not being here, 2- budget concerns 3-need for administrative expenses in our budget due to our growth

TREASURER'S PROPOSAL: Stephanie presented the proposed 2019-2020 budget to the membership, with the following points:

- We have lost income from Shopping Extravaganza, Dine Out with Heart (possible change to March), fewer dollars from other sources.
- The Board is concerned about personal money being spent by individuals on committees to maintain their projects.
- Committees try to give their best estimate for expenses and we want to honor that in budget allocations.
- The Board sees the need for a professional to prepare our tax returns. These financial documents are posted online in the public domain and may be reviewed by any group offering grants to non-profits. The Board has contacted four CPAs for estimates.
- The Board requests that there be quarterly audits of the bookkeeping for our checking accounts. There are normally three accounts that need to be reconciled and have money transferred. A retired accountant, husband of a Philo member, has offered to do the quarterly audits pro bono.
- A line item of \$1,000 is in the budget proposal, anticipating that this will cover the Income tax prep and filing, and possible honorarium for the quarterly audit work.

Discussion and Comments from the Membership:

A request was made for information about the amount of savings (reserve): \$20,600 currently - next year anticipate \$18,000, expecting the need to use some reserve to cover committee and administrative expenses.

King Soopers Card Income: The money from using these cards is not stable from month to month. However, last year was an example of getting enough money from KS at the end of the budget year.

Dues from Members: It was suggested that we consider raising dues for 2020-21 and beyond. General discussion was offered on possible dues from our 65 active members and 73 honorary or emeritus.

Point of Order was called by Peg Isakson to return to discussion of proposed budget.

MOTION: Kelli Osheski moved that we accept the 2019-2020 budget as presented. It was seconded and approved by show of hands. (2/3 of attendees required)

Discussion returned to the consideration of dues.

An impromptu show of hands indicated general approval of raising dues.

As requested by the membership, the Board will hold a study session on the question of increasing membership dues and report at the next meeting.

The option of creating another fund-raiser, as mentioned in President Shannon's memo, was also referred to the Board for further discussion.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ATV – Jamie Powell The fund-raiser for Alternatives to Violence, Pastels on 5th Street, will be held on Sat. 14th More Philo volunteers are always appreciated. Bring items for the Safehouse to the next meeting.

BLOOD DRIVE – M.J. Bergstrand NA

CANNED FOOD DRIVE – Eileen Huddle The committee is now contacting schools for their participation in collecting food during the first weekend in December.

CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS - A new chairperson is needed to work with Susan Trumbo who will continue as co-chair.

DINE OUT WITH HEART – Dona Menzies Dine Out with Heart will be changed to March. The committee will have sponsorship money for the gift cards needed in December.

GOLF TOURNAMENT – Denise Rhoades The July tournament brought in over \$13,00 to give as scholarships The 2020 Tournament will be held Friday June 26th at the Olde Course

INTEGRATED EARLY CHILDHOOD – Judy Gangle A Book Fair fund-raiser for the committee expenses will be held Nov 16th at Barnes & Noble. The committee serves 29 classrooms this year, an increase from 24.

NEWSLETTER – Mary Stark Oct newsletter deadline is September 21.

PUBLICITY & SOCIAL MEDIA – Diane McInturff NA

ROTARY DUCK RACE – Linda Stangel We didn't meet our goal for sales this year, so our income was reduced.

SCHOLARSHIPS – Mary Stark The process of distributing info and identifying students will begin in January.

SPRING APPRECIATION SOCIAL – Jeanne Findley reminded us of a Thursday event, rather than Tuesday this year. Thursday May 14th at High Country Beverage. Please make sure correct addresses are in the yearbook so they receive the invitation.

SUNSHINE – Mary Ann Lane reported on sympathy expressed to Diane Boehner (death of mother), support for Anne Moore's memorial service, and food provided for Phyllis McCormack's memorial for her husband. Birthdays of June, July, August, September were announced.

YEARBOOK – Peggy Pellizzari asked everyone to check the accuracy of their name & info for the yearbook.

WEB ADMINISTRATOR – Denise Rhoades

Miki Roth: A shortened version of the 100-year video has been created and can be found at the bottom of the Members Only page on our website. This video is 11 minutes/27 seconds. It was condensed for possible use in presenting Philo information to a prospective donor.

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP – Rita Harden announced October 15th as the next meeting for honoraries.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Stephanie announced information about a new King Soopers grocery sharing-profit card available. Come early to the October meeting and Stephanie will help you sign up for the card.
- Terri Dimond recommended that each person ask a friend to also sign up for this card with Philo designated for sharing.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Peg Isakson announced the Loveland Loves to Read author event on September 24th and offered coupons for BuyOne-GetOne tickets.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 7:50, moved by Mary Vogessor, seconded and adjourned.