



Leadership Committee Meeting Johnnie Lee Don's Home September 12, 2017

Members present: Jan Potter, Meri McEneny Nancy Cline, Carol Eyre, Sharon Filardo, Ruth Arizaga Whisler, Johnnie Lee Don, Linda Larish, Patricia Watters and Dana Loury by video conferencing.

The meeting was called to order by Jan Potter, co-president, at 1:20pm.

Nancy Cline moved that the minutes from the previous meeting on 7/30/17 be approved as corrected with Sharon Filardo making corrections. Meri McEneny seconded the motion and the minutes were approved as corrected.

REPORTS:

A. President – Patricia suggested that we try to make the meetings shorter but more inclusive by using internet media such as Skype or Zoom. She asked that if a member is unable to attend, a written report should be submitted prior to the meeting.

B. Secretary's Report - Linda Larish reported that a thank you note was sent to Linda Pascotto for her very generous donation to Tech Trek. Linda attended our Tech Trek High Tea fundraiser and was very impressed with the program.

C. Finance Officer Report - Ruth Arizaga-Whisler presented the current budget. See attached reports. All programs are funded for this fiscal year. Meri McEneny will ask Shirley Allen's daughter if the foundation will still give a donation this year.

D. Programs Report – Johnnie Lee Don reported that our general meeting this month is on 9/14/17 at the Donner State Park Museum in Truckee beginning at 11:30. Our October Leadership Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, 10/10/17 at 1pm at Christine Marsh-Madden's home. Our October general meeting will be 10/12/17 at the Fairway Community Center at 330 Fairview Dr., Tahoe City at 11:30am. The Leadership Committee will provide a salad luncheon and the six Tech Trek girls will be present to talk to us about their experiences at UCD Tech Trek camp this summer. Meri McEneny has invited the girls, their parents, our Girls' State participant and Linda Pascotto, a donor, to also attend. TLC, Rotary and Kiwanis will also be invited as well as Tom McClintock, our US Representative and Jennifer Montgomery, our Placer County Supervisor. The November Leadership Committee meeting will be Tuesday, 11/7/17 at 1pm at Sharon Filardo's home. The General Meeting will be on Thursday, 11/9/17 at the Fairview Community Center, 330 Fairview Dr., Tahoe City. Our speaker will be Cathee St. Clair. She will present a Power Point presentation on Art in Healing. Johnnie Lee Don has asked the Superintendent of Schools, Robert Leary, to speak to us at our February meeting. She has not received a reply yet.

E. Membership Report – A written report was submitted by Cheryl Allen. We now have 68 members. Please see the attached report for more details. An important date is 9/24/17 for our new member social. Evites have been sent. It will be from 4-7pm at the home of Ginger

(Virginia) Wilson. New directories have been printed and can be purchased at the 9/14/17 general meeting or any time after that for \$10. New members receive complementary copies of the directory.

F. Communications Officer Report – Dana Loury reported that she has made several changes to the website that will make accessing information easier. She asks that anyone with suggestions for improvement, contact her. Please see the attached report. Nancy Cline asked if she could create a separate sheet of names and contact information for new members joining after the directory has been printed. Dana and Nancy will discuss the details. Dana will provide addresses in the newsletter for meetings held at someone's home.

G. AAUW Funds Report - Nancy Cline reported that 3.7 million dollars has been provided to 250 women scholars. A presentation will be made on 10/15/17 in San Francisco and on 10/19/17 in Danville. Anyone interested in attending one of these can contact Nancy for details. Four of our members have donated directly to National, which does not provide any benefit to our branch. Nancy will send thank you notes to these women but will include information on donating through our branch.

H. Girls State - Johnnie Lee Don reported that we still do not have a place to send our checks which are being held by Ruth Arizaga-Whisler. She has contacted the person who helped with this last year but has not received a reply, except that her request has been forwarded to another person. Christine Marsh-Madden is following up on this with this person and the new person contact, both at the state level at American Legion Auxiliary. Johnnie Lee and Christine will make phone calls as needed to those who wrote checks earmarked for Girls State so that they know why the checks haven't been cashed.

I. Scholarship – Jan Potter reported that two scholarships were distributed through Tahoe Truckee Community Foundation, Scholarship Committee. One was for \$1,000 and one for \$4,000 from our anonymous donor. A committee consisting of AAUW members to assist with scholarships may be formed.

J. Tech Trek - Meri McEneny reported that TLC has donated \$850 to Tech Trek, an increase from past years. As of this past summer our branch has sent 100 girls to Tech Trek and this is the 20th year since Tech Trek has been established. Meri stated that she will show video links about Tech Trek during our luncheon meeting in October. Meri will check to see when we need to reserve six slots for next summer. **STEM Trek Day** - Meri would like to proceed with another STEM Trek Day next summer. She has some speakers in mind and, considering some of the evaluations, would like to include more in the medical specialties. One would be a UNLV clinical nurse specialist and perhaps an obstetrician/gynecologist who served on Obama's National Committee. Patricia suggests a subcommittee be formed to assist Meri and perhaps include one or two of the Tech Trek girls. The evaluations indicated that the girls would like more time to talk with the presenters so the number of presenters will probably be decreased. There is \$350 surplus from our first STEM Day and we would like to establish a \$700 budget for the coming year. Nancy Cline moved that Ruth Arizaga-Whisler establish a new category in finances for STEM Day. Linda Larish seconded the motion and it was unanimously passed. With three donations of \$100 each that did not identify where the monies were to be allocated, we will use them plus \$50 from Petra funds and the \$350 surplus from STEM Trek Day 6/17 to fully fund STEM Day for this fiscal year under the new STEM category in our budget (the remainder of our non-allocated surplus, \$651.50 will remain in our general fund).

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Standing Rules subcommittee – Martha Cirata, Jan Potter, Patricia Watters and Linda Larish will meet today to edit our Standing Rules. They will be presented at the next meeting.

B. Financial Records – a review will take place Friday, 9/15/17 with Ruth Arizaga-Whisler, Kymberly Pipkin and Gil Potter reviewing.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Member Contributions - Thank you notes will be sent to all members who donated above the renewal fee. Ruth Arizaga-Whisler will send names of the members that each Leadership Committee member will be responsible for writing. Thank you notes were provided and also sample thank you notes.

B. Future STEM Trek Events – Linda Larish moved to have STEM Day next year and Nancy Cline seconded the motion. It was unanimously passed. Meri will explore outreach and location.

C. Roles, Responsibilities & Goals – Patricia Watters will send, via e-mail, forms for each Leadership Committee Member to complete. Patricia handed out Leadership Committee Descriptions.

D. Open Leadership Positions – We need two members to form a nominating committee, one to be the co-financial officer (this person will then be prepared to take over the position from Ruth Arizaga-Whisler next fiscal year) and members to form a new scholarship committee.

E. Carol Eyre has volunteered to have the Winter Party at her home. She will contact a few caterers for prices and availability. Our first choice is to have it on our regular general meeting day, Thursday, 12/14/17. An alternate date could be Saturday, 12/9/17. It will be 1pm to 4pm with heavy appetizers. Johnnie Lee Don and Linda Larish will be on her planning committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:39pm

Respectfully submitted by Linda Larish, recording secretary

Approved 10/10/17