



There were 28 members present.

Four AAUW women presented Chautauqua speeches on four historical American women to honor Women's' History Month. Christine Marsh-Madden portrayed Abigail Adams, Linda Larish portrayed Clara Barton, Julie Ginocchio portrayed Dorothea Day and Diane Morrison portrayed Sojourner Truth.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Martha Cirata at 2:10 pm.

<u>Meeting Minutes</u>: The minutes from the General Meeting on February 11, 2016 were read and approved as submitted.

Reports:

<u>Finance</u> –Martha Cirata stated that all programs are funded for this year.

<u>Programs</u> – Christine Madden announced that the meetings for the remainder of this year are as follows:

4/14/16 – The meeting will be held at Incline Village Community Hospital at 1pm and will include a surprise program and election of officers.

5/12/16 – We will host our inter-branch meeting, a high tea at Carol Eyre's at 4pm. The cost will be \$25. Our caterer is charging us \$15/person and the remainder will be profit for our programs. Carol asks that members notify her if they can bring china cups and saucers to the tea. Reservations will be required ahead of time with payment and guests are asked to dress nicely, perhaps including hats and gloves. Our speaker will be a former Tech Trek young lady who is graduating from UCD and applying to medical school.

6/9/16 – We will have a picnic lunch at Tahoe Yacht Club in Tahoe City at 1pm. The program will consist of speeches and a slide show by two if our members who have recently toured India.

<u>Membership</u> – Meri McEneny reported that there are currently 65 members.

<u>Communications</u> – Current directories are now available for pick up/purchase.

<u>Tech Trek</u> – Meri McEneny reported that eleven 7th graders who were recommended by science and math teachers applied for positions. Meri McEneny and Ann Folsom will conduct interviews Wednesday, 3/16 and six will be chosen to attend.

<u>Girls State</u> – Johnny Lee Don reported that a high school young lady has been chosen to go to the camp in late June into July and the reservation is off the wait list and is confirmed.

Old Business:

<u>Proposed Board for 2016-2017</u> – A copy of the proposed board members was distributed to each member and will be voted on at the April meeting. All positions are filled except president-elect. A fervent request was made for someone to volunteer for this position today or soon.

<u>By-Laws</u> – Martha Cirata explained the revisions made in our by-laws. Some were required by the state and some were changed by a small committee from our Board to better reflect our current needs. They have been approved by the state. A copy was provided for each member and they will be voted on at the April meeting.

New Business:

Renewal Letter with donation request. Martha Cirata explained that we need \$7,800 to completely fund all of our programs. Members are invited to contribute an extra \$100 or more during the member renewal process. It was explained that this would completely fund our programs for the year, leaving the \$31 from our membership fee to pay for administrative expenses. Martha also explained that the extra contribution could be divided between programs with separate checks for each, making them tax deductible.

2016-2017 Budget – a copy of the proposed budget was reviewed and distributed to each member and will be voted on at the April meeting.

Interest Groups:

<u>Book Club</u> – They will meet on the last Tuesday of the month (3/29). The book for this month is Spare Parts. Diane Morrison will host and it will take place at noon at the Tahoe Yacht Club.

<u>Bridge</u> – The end of the year party will take place in late May. They are all trying to finish all of their games.

<u>Great Decisions</u> – They will meet on Tuesday, 3/16 at 10am at Tahoe Yacht Club. The topic will be Turks.

In Stitches – They will meet Wednesday, 3/15/16 at Martha Cirata's home.

<u>Friday Night Cocktails</u> – There will be none in March, April or May due to time conflicts but they will resume in June.

Other Business:

<u>Petra Dinner</u> – this will be on April 21 at 6pm and will cost \$50. Petra restaurant is located in Northstar. The fee will include two glasses of wine (or soft drink or beer), entrée and dessert. Please RSVP to Nancy Cline.

Approved: 4/14/16

Adjournment: 2:50pm

Respectfully submitted, Linda Larish, Recording Secretary