

General Meeting by Zoom June 11, 2020

Call to Order: The meeting was opened by Johnnie Lee Don at 1:12 PM.

Present: Jo Ann Cobb, Johnnie Lee Don, Ann Yuhas, Lynn Flagg, Cheryl Allen, Patricia Watters, Sharon Filardo, Nancy Cline, Sandra Wolfe, Ellen Magnani, Diane Buckman, Christine Madden, Pat Castellucci, Dianne Lange, Diane Morrison, Martha Cirata, Priscilla Mills, Meri McEneny, Jan Potter, Linda Larish, Jean Wernette, Rachael Swift, Terry Yagura, Kathie Julian, Esther Sonnenberg, Barbara Ramsey, and Dana Loury.

Meeting Minutes from 3/12/2020: Linda Larish made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 12, 2020 meeting. Lynn Flagg seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved.

Speaker: Linda Larish introduced our speaker, <u>June Sylvester Saraceno</u>. June was born and raised in North Carolina but chose California for her adult life. She is an author and professor at Sierra Nevada University. She spoke on the Equal Rights Amendment with insight into its failure to pass, shedding a whole new meaning on privilege, fear, evangelism, and other issues contributing to its downfall.

Scholarship: Ellen Magnani and Kathie Julian announced that the name of the scholarship recipient will be forthcoming.

Girls State: Christine Madden shared that Maya Wong, our candidate for Girls State 2019, was sent the Placer County Supervisors Certificate of Merit for her attendance at Girls State. She received a scholarship to Colby College in Maine for the fall of 2020 but has elected to defer her attendance, so she can train for downhill skiing in Denver, CO next winter.

Although the Girls State program has been cancelled for 2020 due to Covid-19, there will be a virtual one-day program to be held the week of June 23rd. Our candidate for this year, Reilly Scott, has registered and will attend the program. There will be no charge.

Communications: It was suggested by attending members that we have a Zoom meeting on July 9 for installation and recognition of officers.

Old business: Patricia Watters announced that unfortunately, we will not be staffing for Placer County on election day this year. Due to COVID-19, the county is hiring employees to staff the polls.

New Business: Meri McEneny will work on a proposal to host a one-day event for our 2020 Tech Trek girls at North Tahoe Regional Park during the week of July 19-26, with a group size restriction of 10 people. It is her hope that our 5 girls can host the Truckee group's 3 girls. The proposal will be sent to the leadership team. Patricia will review the budget and ask for approval via email.

Meri will talk to Imelda Valdez, Residential Program Manager at Sierra Community House, about speaking for our group on sex trafficking at the October meeting.

AWARDS

Rachael Swift announced the recipients of AAUW Fund Named Gift Honorees and the Branch Service Award.

AAUW Fund Named Gift Honorees:

- 1. **Patricia Watters** for her outstanding contribution to AAUW NT over many years as co-president, finance officer, communications officer and secretary, and her amazing dedication and influence as a leader.
- 2. **Tahoe League for Charity** organization, which has given \$400,000 in scholarships and grants to non-profits. NT AAUW is among the grant recipients each year with \$900 to Tech Trek. **Sharon Filardo** accepted the award on behalf of TLC.

Branch Service Award

The recipient is **Meri McEneny** for her tireless dedication and leadership skills in guiding the Tech Trek program and STEM Trek Day, and her commitment to the Tech Trek girls and continued contact with them and their families.

Announcement

Terry Yagura shared a Fantasy coloring book for all ages by Cathee St. Clair. Contact Terry if you wish to purchase one of these outstanding books.

Meeting adjourned at 3:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Ann Yuhas Recording secretary

Minutes approved on 9/10/2020