

First Junior Woman's Club General Meeting Minutes October 6, 2015

Meeting was called to order at 9:10 am.

Missy Shelton welcomed everyone in attendance. She started the meeting by thanking Kim Selzman for her work in creating a new website for FJWC. The new address is found on the agenda: fjwconline.com. Kim is working on the possibility of transferring back to our original address but for now all articles, photos, etc. can be easily submitted and uploaded to the fjwconline.com address. Kim has created a user-friendly website that we can upload to ourselves. Missy also thanked Meredith Lamberton for creating our Facebook page and encouraged everyone to like and follow it. Meredith will be giving out an award at each monthly meeting for the best posts by members. Kathy Goss won this month for her poem she posted.

October birthdays were celebrated.

1st VP Programs - Robin Howell

Robin announced that next month Liz Sullivan with Random House will be our guest speaker. Blue Willow Bookshop will be attending and bringing copies of books to sell that Liz will be talking about. Blue Willow will be donating a portion of the proceeds for the sale of books to Literacy Advance. We will have an opportunity to earn hours for our donations to Literacy Advance. Robin will send out an email closer to the meeting.

2nd VPs Ways and Means - Meredith Lamberton and Debbie Green

Debbie gave her apologies for not being able to attend. Meredith reminded us all our auction is set for Friday, February 12, 2016 at the Norris Center. Meredith announced that the Chairs and committees have been formed and it's a great team! She commented that there was a considerable no-show rate at last year's auction and encouraged us all to save the date, attend, and bring 3 guests. If members are unable to fill their guest slots, Meredith asked that they please consider donating the tickets back to FJWC to help fill the spots. Auction packets will be available at the November 3rd meeting. Checks can be taken today for auction donations, \$150.

Sustainers Liaison - Kim Selzman

Kim reported a successful and well-attended happy hour for the Sustainers.

3rd VPs Membership - Kim Wood and Michelle Airola

Kim and Michelle announced that membership is now closed. The auction committees and list of Chairs is now available. They stated that 10-12 members filled out an older-version membership renewal form and that they were still due to purchase their auction tickets. They will be contacting those individuals directly.

4th VP Philanthropy - Adriana Read

Adriana could not attend the meeting and gave her apologies. Missy called on our charity liaisons to make any announcements:

Cindy Stein - JDRF

Cindy reminded the membership that the JDRF walk is coming up October 24th. 17-18 boys have already signed up, and she encouraged more of the members to do so. Cindy reminded everyone that volunteers will need to have a waiver form printed and filled out the morning of the walk when checking in. The Work Crew will need to arrive by 6:15 am. The Work Crew will be working the food and beverage tent as usual.

Kathy Goss - AYAM

Kathy thanked everyone that signed up already to work the student visits to the museum. She announced that AYAM is hosting an art show this week and that SBISD art teachers' work will be showcased. Kathy encouraged everyone to come, flyers were available, and she invited us all to attend a reception Wednesday, October 7th from 5-7 pm.

Diane Fishman - Houston Symphony

Diane announced that the symphony dates were emailed to the membership, and she encouraged everyone to sign up.

Karen Alexander - Cancare

Karen was not in attendance at the meeting. Missy thanked everyone that worked the golf tournament and informed the membership that Karen is working on setting up dates for tours and service opportunities. These dates will be emailed.

Leslie Azios - Family Point Resources

Leslie gave her apologies for missing the meeting, as she was sick. Family Point is asking for babysitters to volunteer this Friday from 7:30-9 pm watching 3-10 year-olds. Missy announced that Family Point has a golf tournament coming up. Flyers were available for that event.

Treasurer - Allison Moak

Allison presented the proposed budget for 2015-2016. Kim Wood made a motion to approve and Karen Miller seconded the motion. Approved by the membership.

Recording Secretary - Karen Miller

Karen announced the September General Meeting minutes were posted on the website. Meredith Lamberton made a motion to approve them and Kathy Goss seconded. Membership approved.

JJ Liaison - Beth Dean

Beth announced that the next event for JJs will be walking in the JDRF walk.

Juniorette Liaison - Jennifer Barker

Jennifer announced that the Juniorettes had their second meeting last night and that they were working on their updated distribution list. Jennifer asked any Juniorette parents to let her know if they had not been receiving emails. Jennifer McNight spoke to the girls at the last meeting about her son living with juvenile diabetes, and it was a very positive experience. The girls made ghost lollipops. The list of upcoming events and sign-ups is all on SignUp Genius. Please refer to Jennifer's email from Monday.

Work Crew Liaison - Anne Hachtman

Anne asked for anyone not receiving emails for Work Crew to let her know and that they too are working on their distribution list. Work Crew will be manning the food and beverage tents at the JDRF walk, and Anne did ask us to remind the boys that they will be working and representing FJWC. Please let Anne know if you are involved with any charity not affiliated with our organization that the Work Crew could help support with time or donations. Anne is trying to get in touch with *Elves and More*. Kaci Guy mentioned she could help with that.

Membership was reminded of the new address to report hours - fjwhours@gmail.com (no c)

Robin Howell then introduced our guest speaker, Jenee Boborra. Jenee spoke to us all about the Inflammatory Breast Cancer Foundation and shared her story. Jenee shared her email jboborra@gmail.com for members to connect with her and ask any questions.

Missy rounded out the meeting by introducing our newest Provisional Members, Beth Cole and Sarah Sullivan.

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 am.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Miller, Recording Secretary