

2021-22 GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

First Junior Woman's Club

Outreach Center of West Houston

January 11, 2022 / 8:30 AM

2021-22 Executive Board

Darcy Martin Gagnon, President | Debbie Green, 1st VP Programs | Laura Stevenson, Wendy Covington, Jennifer Hall, & Sharidan Lippold, 2nd VPs Ways & Means | Kathy Douglass, 3rd VP Membership | Summer Burke, 4th VP Philanthropy | Shelley Hatcher, Treasurer | Amy Hines, Recording Secretary | Joci Moss, Technology Secretary | Tamma Howell, Parliamentarian | Christy Johnson, Sustainer Liaison | Kaci Guy, Juniorette Liaison | Cathy Blundell, Work Crew Liaison

President: Darcy Gagnon called the meeting to order at 8:30 am.

- Darcy informed members that there is a second opportunity for the year to buy hours. Members may earn up to 3 hours (3 x \$25) by donating to Buffalo Creek Elementary School's playground equipment drive.
- Darcy announced that the Nominating Committee will start to put together recommendations for next year's Board. Anyone interested in being on the Board next year should reach out to Kerry Moore, the Nominating Committee Chair.
- Darcy announced that this year's senior scholarship applications will take place online only with a computer-generated cut-off date/time. No late submissions will be accepted, and the computer will take care of it for us.
- Darcy reiterated the wealth of information on our website and asked that members please give their best guess when RSVP'ing to events.
- Darcy announced that we raised \$3,500 for Spartan Share and that the families were extremely grateful.
- In Summer's absence Darcy informed members that the Houston Symphony will go on as scheduled, however volunteers must now send proof of vaccination to the Symphony several days in advance of volunteering. In addition, volunteers will need to double-mask.

Approval of the General Meeting Minutes from November 2nd, 2021: Amy Hines

- Amy asked for a motion to approve the minutes. There was a motion to approve from Shelley Hatcher. The motion was seconded by Candy Fichtner.

Membership: Kathy Douglass

- Kathy reminded members and Provisionals to log their volunteer hours.

Auction: Laura Stevenson

- Laura reported that the Auction Committee has begun shopping and to save the Auction date: Thursday, April 7th from 6:30 – 8 pm at Nottingham Forest Club.

Sustainers: Christy Johnson

- Christy announced there will be a Sustainer happy hour on Tuesday evening, February 22nd at Christy Johnson's house to collect local-restaurant gift cards for the Auction. Also, the Sustainers will host the Prosecco and Posies Party offered at the Auction. Please let Christy know if you can help host this Auction party, especially if you are a flower person.

Juniorettes/Work Crew: Kaci Guy/Cathy Blundell

- Juniorettes have an opportunity to make notes of encouragement to go in the Sherwood Elementary Blessings in a Backpack bags.
- Work Crew has been asked to make Valentine's Bags for our sister school Sherwood Elementary.
- Juniorettes will make Valentine's bags for the FPR Valentine's party, taking place Friday, February 11th at 3:15 pm.
- There will be a joint Juniette and Work Crew meeting Sunday, January 30th at 3 pm at The Refuge.

Treasurer: Shelley Hatcher

- Shelly distributed copies of the budget. She informed members that our tax-free form can be found on our website. In reference to the Buffalo Creek Elementary playground equipment drive and any other money-raising opportunities we have, Shelley informed members that it is better to send money through Zelle versus other electronic methods (forms with Stripe, for instance) because Zelle does not charge a fee and moves money directly from bank account to bank account, so it is also the most secure.

Programming: Debbie Green

- Debbie introduced our guest speaker, Judge Paula Goodhart, who gave an informative presentation about issues our teens are facing and how they can stay out of trouble with the law titled "Sex, Drugs, and Rocking with your Friends."

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 am.