



Gilroy Branch AAUW
Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, January 5, 2006

The meeting was brought to order by Jan Paterson at 7:00 PM. Members present were Jan Paterson, Susan Patereau, Margie Enger, Lyn Hackett, Arti O'Connor, and Sue Perino.

The minutes were corrected as follows: "Smart Women Finish First" was changed to "Smart Women Finish Rich".

Treasurer's Report

Ending Balance \$1,690.72

Tech Trek \$4,836.85

It was moved, seconded, and passed to approve the Treasurer's Report.

Committee Reports

Sunshine Susan proposed that we have written guidelines. The following ideas were discussed: sending cards instead of flowers and providing meals to members could be on a voluntary basis. It was moved, seconded, and passed to set aside \$100 for Sunshine from fundraiser profits (to be determined).

Program Margie reported that the planning for the February program (co-presented with Morgan Hill) still is in the works. Possible dates are February 11th and 25th. An EF recipient will be the speaker. Michelle Ing will present two programs on "Smart Women Finish Rich" at the State Convention. The 40th Birthday Party will be March 7th, 9th, 14th, or 16th. Jan will check on the availability of the Presbyterian Church.

No Ball Game Day No location for the event has been found as of yet. As a result, the date is on hold. Happy Dog was suggested as a location, and Susan and Margie will check into it. Susan proposed that we request a \$25 donation from each person attending. We will not offer game winners prizes, but we will still have a silent auction and door prizes. Arti reported that she has access to silkscreen t-shirts that we could use as prizes and also sell at the garage sale.

Scholarship Arti reviewed with us the updated scholarship form. The application forms will be sent to Gilroy High School, Mt. Madonna, MACSA El Portal Leadership Academy, and Gavilan. After discussion, it was MSP to have two \$1,000 scholarships--one high school and one college. Arti will check with the high school counselors to see if there is a scholarship committee to help process award scholarships.

Interest Groups Jan reported that the Whine/Wine event was very successful. They will meet again on Friday, January 6, 2006, at Chevys. Culinary will hold its first dinner on January 14th.

Old Business

Bylaws The bylaws have been received and approved.

Budget The budget has been put in the newsletter.

Web Page Susan is working on setting up a password for our web site. She will also update the information regarding membership eligibility. People with an AA degree or an equivalency are eligible. Silicon Valley Reads We will be listed as one of the sponsors for "Silicon Valley Reads". The books group is interested in reading one of the books.

New Business

Newsletter ideas from other branches were discussed. One was to include a bio on new members. It was suggested

that perhaps this could be done online.

Legislative Interviews Jan reported that she received a communication from AAUW Public Policy requesting that we interview our legislators (specific questions have been provided) and return the responses. We need a new Public Policy chairman to do this. Susan will send out an e-mail to ask for a volunteer.

AAUW California Convention We will help with hospitality, along with the Morgan Hill branch. Jan will let Morgan Hill know we can help on Friday or Sunday. Our members will be contacted to see which day they can help. Susan will send out an e-mail.

Program Questionnaire Margie will respond to the questionnaire received from AAUW California asking how our programs relate to the theme "Education as the Gateway to Women's Economic Security".

Branch Leaders Meeting Jan and Lyn will attend the meeting planned for January 21st.

February meeting:

When: Thursday, February 2, 2006

Where: Intero Real Estate 790 First Street

Time: 7:00 PM

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Respectively submitted by Sue Perino