

Meeting Minutes

February 18, 2016 4:45 P.M.

Shaler North Hills Library 25 present

Melody opened the business meeting at 5:05.

Guests were introduced: Jade Leung, Kathy Barkovich, Debbie Steinmetz, Sallie Fischer, Ginny Blasi (Mu chapter in New Jersey).

Dede Rittman had the inspiration. She focused on three quotations about teaching and the effect teachers have on others.

The minutes from the December meeting were approved as printed in the newsletter.

Peg Maser got a note from Barbara Rankin with a check for a Jared Box and one for the Silent Auction.

Barb Schmid gave the Treasurer's Report in Marg Foster's absence. The Balance on Hand is \$2982.04.

Paulette Hemmings explained the next meeting at Katie's Clay Studio. Each person will pay according to the item chosen plus the \$3.50 firing fee. Bring a brown bag dinner, and we will have a short business meeting before our ceramic projects. Paulette also brought information on the new Toys exhibit at the Heinz history Center.

The candidates for membership were asked to leave the room. Faith Jack gave us some biographical information on each woman: Sallie Fischer, Jade Leung, Kathy Barkovich, Debbie Steinmetz. Terry Klein moved to accept all the nominees. Shari McGill seconded. All in favor, none opposed; motion passed.

Barbara MacDonald read the slate of officers for the 2016-2018 biennium: President: Faith Jack; First Vice President (Programs): Paulette Hemmings; 2nd. Vice President (Membership): Sandy Werderitch; Corresponding Secretary: Peg Maser; Recording Secretary: Shari McGill. Once again, Terry Klein moved to close the nominations. Melody asked for approval; it was unanimous. Melody also complimented the chapter for having members who will take on roles of leadership.

Terry Klein announced the Grant-in-Aid candidate: Victoria Abbondanza, a senior at Duquesne University. Terry moved that Victoria be given the Grant; Karen Klingman seconded. All in favor, no nay votes.

Shari McGill announced that bids on the silent auction would be held until 6:15 P.M. She also accepted Dress for Success items. She has a carload to donate and will do so in the coming weeks. Her co-chair, Sandy Werderitch had foot surgery the morning of the meeting and will be off her feet for 8-10 weeks.

Peg Maser gave a brief history of the Jared Boxes and explained suggestions for filling the boxes. Return them at the March or April meeting. We have 41 boxes with secure lids this year.

The Sixtieth Anniversary of our chapter will be celebrated at the state convention at the Saturday, June 11 luncheon. We could carpool if people want to go just for the luncheon. We can also "Accent our attire." Melody passed around a list for people to indicate their interest in attending.

Under Joys and Concerns, Peg Maser announced that she is a new great-grandmother to Ivy Elizabeth.

We ended the business meeting at 5:55 with the Delta Kappa Gamma song.

Melody won the raffle basket, which netted \$61.00 in ticket sales.

After a dinner of shepherd's pie, marinated vegetables, and apple dumplings, Faith Jack presented a program on finding her roots: Voices Through Time. She explained the process she went through to validate membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution (and perhaps in the Mayflower Society).

Members gathered the items they had winning bids on for the silent auction. It netted \$134.50.

The meeting ended at 7:55.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Ulrich