

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 28, 2015

Heinz History Center 25 present

Attendees were permitted to spend time browsing at the History Center from 3 p.m. until 4:45 when the social time began.

A hoarse President Melody Hannegan opened the business meeting at 5:05 p.m.

Three guests were introduced: Sally Fisher (retired FACS-Avonworth) by Phyllis Jenny; Jade Leung (Biology and Physics-Shaler Area) by Faith Jack; and Kathy Barkovich (retired art-Shaler Area) by Shari McGill.

Terry Klein read the inspiration from a book by John O'Donahue: "The Friendship Blessing."

The minutes from the September meeting were approved as corrected ("dues" for "news").

Corresponding Secretary Peg Maser reported that she has to write a thank you to Katherine Ayres for her program for the September meeting. Melody reported that *Matthew's Truck* is her grandson's favorite book.

Second Vice President Faith Jack had bookmarks with QR codes to give to prospective members.

Barbara Schmid read the treasurer's report in Marg Foster's absence. The balance on hand is \$4,069.08 (but remember that dues money will go out next month.)

First Vice President Paulette Hemmings discussed items for the raffle. Paulette donated the basket, and the History Center donated several other gifts, like books, sets of 4 admission tickets, etc.) She also explained the upcoming meeting at McGinnis Sisters on Dec. 3. Cost is \$20.

Yearbook chair Barbara MacDonald asked members to send any corrections to her for the digital yearbook and also announced that as Nominations Chair she is looking for members willing to get involved and serve the Chapter for the next biennium.

Social Committee chair Ruth Wilson reported that she still needs people to help with duties for the February meeting and future meetings.

Grant-in-Aid chair Terry Klein asked us to be looking for college female juniors or seniors majoring in education to apply for our award. They will be due Feb. 2. You can get the forms from Terry.

Melody still needs two positions filled: Visual and Performing Arts and Historical Records.

Under new business, the Purposeful Seminar is in Pittsburgh in Sept. of 2016. Our raffle basket will consist of literature about Pittsburgh or by Pittsburghers.

Under Joys and Concerns, **Deb McMullen** will have work at the Pittsburgh Glass Center/Art on Fall exhibit. **Faith Jack** and a colleague will present a workshop at the Western PA Council of Teachers of English Fall Conference on Nov. 6. Faith will also appear on a segment of Pittsburgh's Hidden Treasures. **Barbara Rankin** asked us to support Dr. James Withers of Operation Safety Net in online voting for the CNNHeroes award. You can vote once a day at CNNHeroes.com.

We ended with the Delta Kappa Gamma song at 5:40.

After dinner in the shadow of the "streetcar" in the lobby, raffle tickets were pulled, and the winners were Jane Sestric, Deb McMullen, Peg Maser, Nancy Penney, Melody Hannegan, Jade Leung.

Paulette re-introduced Bob Stakeley (our unofficial male member), who talked to us about the WWII exhibit and then let us explore the exhibit on our own. We also had a brief conversation with Andy Masich, Museum President, as he left for the day.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Ulrich