



GFWC Wilbraham Junior Women's Club

General Meeting Minutes November 15, 2011; start 7:35 end 8:25 12 ppl

President: Marie Aquilino

Conference on 10/28 went very well – Megan Weiss, Kathy Fuss, Diane Weston, Marie and Jen attended – WJWC hosted –we won for cupcakes furthest traveled (Diane's Twisted Sister); Megan shared photos and her impressions as a first time attendee.

Nominating Com. – Lisa V. chair.

Because of power issues, didn't have the new slate in time for the Gen meeting; will send to club by email and vote at Dec meeting.

Clubwoman of the Year: Marie has the nomination forms, contact her by Dec meeting with any nominations

Secretary: Val Boudreau

Various correspondence circulated; on file

Treasurer: Susan Medeiros

Starting bal: 7679.51; w/d 434.08; dep 0.89; ending 7256.32 committed 4980.80; uncommitted 2265.52

First VP: Kathy Fuss

Arts: Boxwood Tree Fri 12/9 11 a.m at Katy Reed's home. Water bottle craft club challenge; must relate to water, main materials water bottle, write up or poem, will be judged at annual conference- Contact Maryann Swift with any ideas

Conservation: Any left over magazines give to Kathy Fuss for Baystate (from last 3-6 months)

Education:

*Book club – **a.m.** Nov Heaven is for Real; **p.m.** Nov mtg canceled; Dec book The Paris Wife – date/location TBD may also discuss The Book Thief

Home Life:

*National Club project: March of Dimes baskets for babies for area NICU- make little hats for Baystate NICU

*Thanksgiving Food Basket – Janet V. and Margaret O. chairs; have food to Janet V by Monday 11/21

*Operation Santa – \$400 budget – Megan is chair, have family from Evangel Church and shoppers

* Domestic Violence National project: Step Away; socks for Domestic Violence shelter (YWCA on E Longmeadow line); our hands on activity for the General mtg is bagging and labeling the socks; Martha coordinating the delivery, let her know if you want go and get a tour of the facility

* ART – Kathy and Marie went on Tues – delivered winter items and re-organized

International:

*Clean Water Project for India – Kathy F; due Dec 31

* Trick or Treat for UNICEF: **Motion for \$10 donation by Linda Fawcett; 2nd by Janet**

Valickus; approved

Public Issues:

*Collection for troops at Bank of America – Susan Medeiros shopped for and dropped off supplies

* Basket of baking supplies for Soldier On Ladies; Maryann will chair – instead of grab bag gift for holiday party all will be asked to bring baking ingredients and favorite recipe. **Motion to appropriate up to \$30 by Janet Valickus; 2nd by Lynne Gosciminski; approved.**

Special Projects:

Second VP: Jen Nowak (absent) and Maryann Swift

2012 Membership Dues: please give your \$40 check for dues to Maryann Swift by December meeting

Survey: 18 responses from members; 3 responses from past members; results in a binder and available for members to review.

Nov. social: Nov 18th 9:00 at Village Store will then walk over to Library for Art show; after Thanksgiving shopping trip either Nov 28 or 29 options: Lenox, Wrentham, Natick Mall, Evergreen Walk

Membership Drive Open House: in spring hold in Brooks Rm at Library; a few hours during the day, a few hours in evening – have a table or 2 set up about what we do; refreshments – Jan/Feb will look to get names of potential members to invite them to the Open House.

Ways and Means: Maureen Denault (absent)

Programs: Martha Ross and Sarah Lloyd (absent)

Dec. – party sign up for Appetizers, Dessert or Wine. Brenda Willard to host 4 Pease Lane 6:30 start

Hospitality: Linda Fawcett and Barb Nehmer

Publicity: Megan Weiss;

Communications: Diane Weston;

Webmaster/Newsletter: Tammey Guihan tammeyguihan@charter.net

Next General Meeting and Holiday Party: Dec. 13, 6:30 4 Pease Lane Brenda Willard's home