



PURDUE WOMEN'S CLUB
Minutes of the Board Meeting
Wednesday, January 9, 2019
West Lafayette Public Library

Present: Marchell Baker, Linda Dolby, Nancy Eldridge, Rene Ferguson, Sara Harlan, MaryGayle Hartzell, Dorothy Hughes, Jeanna Jones, Esther Madren, Ann McCracken, Sue Peters, Mary Anne Robinson, Carol Rosborg, Cigdem Sheffield, Debby Sherman, Sarah Wassgren

Absent: Emily Blue, Barb Bowman, Danielle Cohen, Connie Davis, Kimba Dunsmore, Eileen Fitzpatrick, Lisa Hoverman, Sandy Komaskinski, Kathy Matter, Becki Moore, Jacky Ralph, Joanne Small

Visitor: Temple Pearson

Quorum Present: Yes

President

President Linda Dolby called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM.

Minutes of the November 2018 meeting

Rene Ferguson moved that the November 2018 minutes be approved. Marchell Baker seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved by voice vote. The approved November 2018 minutes will be placed on the PWC website. (Note: after the board meeting, a typographical error was identified and corrected before the minutes were archived on the website.)

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Carol Rosborg discussed the financial report for Main Fund, General Club Events Fund, and Big 10 Conference Fund for the periods of One Month and Three Months ending December 31, 2018. Carol stated that the financial report sent to board members had been the previous report, ending October 31. The December 31 report will be sent to board members by Linda Dolby.

Board and Committee Reports

In addition to the written reports submitted to the board, the following items were noted.

Vice President MaryGayle Hartzell reported that the Increasing Our Financial Confidence Group has disbanded; however, participants may not be aware this has happened. Ann McCracken volunteered to place an announcement on the PWC website.

Marchell Baker discussed the success of the recent Newcomer's outing to Duncan Hall, including learning the Manner's Song.

Sarah Wassgren reports that we are at 598 in membership, and that numbers and percentages are tracking similar to last year.

Sara Harlan, Friendship Secretary, stated that not many cards were sent the holidays – and that is good news. Sara also specified the policy for communicating circumstances involving PWC members and families. Unless approved by the PWC member, facts of illnesses or other private issues are shared only with the president, and not with other PWC members.

Jeanna Jones reported that the fall Chicago bus trip was a success, and the profit will be used to subsidize the spring trip, which traditionally has struggled to break even. The spring trip is being planned such that members could attend a matinee of Hamilton. As with all Chicago bus trip events, tickets and reservations are the responsibility of the participants, not the event organizers.

Debby Sherman reported on plans for the Louisville spring educational excursion. Due to the long distance of the bus ride and admission fees at the planned venues, transportation costs and ticket prices are pushing event registration above \$100, if we use Imperial Travel. Debby has obtained quotes from Express Air Coach for similar transportation at a significant cost savings. The places to be visited include the Louisville Slugger museum, Evan Williams Bourbon Distillery, Lunch at the Bristol Bar and Grill, and the Derby Museum, featuring an emphasis on hats.

Dorothy Hughes reports that she would like to get an article written for *The Exponent* to describe the mission and activities of PWC, along with a description of the upcoming luncheon.

Rene Ferguson addressed the need for a Span Plan committee, with membership open to the whole of PWC membership. She is targeting a group of 5-6 members. Such a committee would help strengthen the relationship between PWC and the University, and provide greater focus on the mission of PWC to support non-traditional students. Rene also mentioned that the Span Plan 50 Year anniversary celebration is tentatively set for late afternoon March 26 at the PMU, to be timed for people to drop by after classes or work.

The Board and Committee Reports were accepted with no further discussion.

New Business

Evaluation of the Holiday Luncheon:

Kudos to Becki Moore for a successful and enjoyable holiday luncheon. People enjoyed the meal and the optional drink. Service was excellent, as was the choral entertainment. Board

members seated at different tables all reported the gift exchange went well, and everyone appreciated that spare gifts were provided for those who forgot to bring one.

Evaluation of News You Can Use:

The end result has been a success, especially for helping with the Haan Mansion. All contributors to this mailing will be encouraged to proof their dates and facts, and to provide contact information. To summarize the discussion, Sarah Wassgren noted that this email provides a monthly gentle reminder of the activities of the PWC, offering all a chance to jump in and participate.

Big 10 Conference:

President Dolby announced the Big 10 Conference for women's clubs would be June 14-16 at IU. Registration will be \$135 per person, with rooms between \$134-149 per night. PWC has budget to send three people. Sara Harlan made a motion that we send three people, and the motion was seconded by Marchell Baker. The motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Old Business

President Dolby reported on her meeting with the Purdue Northwest Women's Association. Linda, MaryGayle and Marchell met with Denise Frazier of Purdue Northwest, and provided her with our yearbook and brochure. While it is probably not feasible to include the northern campus groups as subsidiaries or affiliates of the West Lafayette group, it would be a good idea to invite them to the luncheons, the Big 10 conference, and other club-wide activities.

General Comments/Announcements

None.

President Dolby adjourned the meeting at 11:50 AM.

The next monthly board meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 6, upstairs at the West Lafayette Public Library, from 11:00 to noon.

Respectfully submitted by Mary Anne Robinson, Recording Secretary