

Minutes of the Wonder Women League

(operating under the United Way of Ellis County)

Members Meeting

February 9, 2023

A meeting was held at Thirsty's -The Venue on February 9, 2023 at 5:15 p.m.

Nancy Jeter, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:19 p.m. welcoming members and guests.

Guests present were Joanne Steeples, guest of Marla Copper, Brandy Bryant guest of Cyntia Friedman, Andrea Carmichael guest of Janet Koerner, Kim Stoecklein guest of Amanda Rohleder, Kathleen Huser guest of Patti Carlisle, Alison Waller guest of Denese Tabor and Heidi Pineda guest of Nancy Jeter.

Members present were: JoAnn Berens, Hali Bielser, Debbie Braun, Rita Carswell, Marla Copper, Patti Curlile, Scarlett Deutscher, Katie Dorzweiler, Shelby Doty, Darla Froelich, Marie Froelich, Jana Fross, LaVonne Giess. Lora Gottschalk, Robbie Graf, Tiffany Hammerschmidt, Lucy Hutchison, Cristina Janney, Nancy Jeter, Mary Karst, Jan Klaus, Kaley Klaus, Janet Koerner, Kelly MacKay, Rhonda Meyerhoff, Renee Moritz, Lisa Ree, Amanda Rohleder, Shirley Rohleder, Janel Ruder, Ruth Ruder, Deana Rupp, Mary Ann Shorman, Connie Smith, Michele Springer, Brittney Squire, Dottie Staab, Valarie Strobel, Denese Taber, Lois Thompson, Cathy VanDoren, Sandee Werth, and Crystal Young.

Katie Dorzweiler moved to approve the January minutes, Mary Karst seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The Income and Expense financial report was presented and will be filed subject to audit.

Announcements-

- WWL Chamber Chat for Power of the Purse will be on February 17th at 9:00 a.m. at the United Way Office (Chestnut Building – 12th and Main)
- Pink Cup Presentation – Lisa Ree was presented a pink Hydro Flask for recruiting 4 new members and Darla Froelich was presented a pink cup for recruiting 2 new members.
- Members were reminded to let Mary Karst or Sandee Werth know of any member experiencing life events so a pink rose or card may be sent.

Old Business-

- Power of the Purse – Rhonda reported that invitations have been sent. She has tickets available and posters that can be put up in businesses.
- WWL Committee Reorts
 - Member Relations Committee – LaVonne Giess reported her committee met in January and will giving prizes for wearing name tags and other incentives. March meeting members will get an additional ticket for bringing a food or toiletry item for the HHS food pantry.
 - Sponsorship Committee – Nancy Jeter reported the group has revised letters for sponsors.
 - Member Retention Committee – Nancy Jeter reported that the committee will reach out to members who miss 3 meetings.
 - Elder Care Committee – Jan Klaus reported the committee met February 1st and made valentines for residents at Homestead and Brookdale. She requested members personalize

the valentines with a note. These will be presented on Monday to Homestead at 11:30 and to Brookdale at 12:00. Cookies will also be presented to the staff.

- Scholarship Committee – Cristina Janey reported they have met with the local high school counselors, FHSU, NCKT, and the Hays Academy of Hair. The deadline for application is March 1st. Recipients will be notified on May 1st. Three \$1000 scholarships will be awarded.
- Publicity Committee – Katie Korzweiler reported the committee will meet on February 23rd.

New Business

- Feminine Products USD 489 – Ruth Ruder reported WWL was approached by the Hays High School student council about a project to put feminine product dispensers in 3 of the HHS bathrooms. It would be a one time cost of \$3125.50 to be used for the dispensers and a year's supply of product. There was discussion. Shelby Doty made a motion to give \$3125.50 to complete the project, Marla Copper seconded and the motion passed.
- Food Pantry USD 489 – Nancy Jeter reminded members to bring food items and supplies to the next meeting for the HHS food pantry and thanked those that brought items to the meeting.
- Hays Area Children's Center – Cristina Janey reported that HACC has requested \$500 to purchase a chemical sanitizing system for the center. There was discussion about community childcare needs and the importance of HACC. Ruth Ruder made a motion to give \$2500 to HACC to be used for the sanitizing system and other needs they might have. Katie Dorzweiler seconded. There was discussion. Kaley Klaus made a motion to amend the original motion to give \$500 and to bring to WWL proposals for future projects for consideration of the remainder of the \$2500. Shelby Doty seconded the motion and it passed. The original motion was passed as amended.

Members were reminded to wear their name tags and bring a food item to the next meeting.

Kaley Klaus moved to adjourn, Rhonda Meyerhoff seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, March 9th at Thirsty's – The Venue at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Mary Ann Shorman, Secretary