

Minutes of the Wonder Women League

(operating under the United Way of Ellis County)

Members Meeting

March 9, 2023

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

Nancy Jeter, co-chair, called the meeting to order at 5:23 p.m. welcoming members and guests.

Guests present were Andrea Carmichael, guest of Janet Koerner, Faye Hafenstine and Alison Waller, guests of Connie Smith, Coleen Shields, guest of Mary Karst, and Courtney Renteria, guest of Cynthia Friedman.

Members present were: JoAnn Berens, Hali Bielser, Debbie Braun, Rita Carswell, Marla Copper, Patti Curlile, Scarlett Deutscher, Katie Dorzweiler, Michelle Fairbank, Tammie Flax, Darla Froelich, Marie Froelich, Jana Fross, LaVonne Giess. Tiffany Hammerschmidt, Jennifer Hecker, Lori Hertel, Lucy Hutchison, Cristina Janney, Nancy Jeter, Pam Joy, Mary Karst, Kaley Klaus, Janet Koerner, Renee Longpine, Kelly MacKay, Leigh Ann McCottry, Rhonda Meyerhoff, Renee Moritz, Linda Noble, Shirley Rohleder, Wendy Rohleder-Sook, Ruth Ruder, Darlene Schlesinger, Mary Ann Shorman, Bea Silva, Connie Smith, Michele Springer, Brittney Squire, Joanne Steeples, Valorie Strobel, Dennise Taber, Laurie Toepfer, Cathy VanDoren, and Tammie Williams.

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

Announcements-

- Members were reminded to sign in.
- Pink Cup Presentation – Cynthia Friedman was presented a pink cup for recruiting 2 new members and Marla Copper was presented a pink hydro flask for recruiting 4 new members.
- Members were reminded to let Mary Karst or Sandee Werth know of any member experiencing immediate family life events so a pink rose or card may be sent.
- Erica Burgess announced that volunteers are needed for Special Olympics and also for Reality U for Hays Middle School. Go to NWKSvolunteers.org or liveunited.us

Old Business-

- Power of the Purse – Rhonda reported the event is 2 weeks away. There will be 300 ladies in attendance. Nancy Jeter shared that there are 90 purses that will be auctioned.
- Cyber Security Project – Mary Ann Shorman shared that USD 489 will be bringing Russ Tuttle to Hays sometime late spring or early fall depending on his schedule.
- WWL Committee Reorts
 - Member Relations Committee – LaVonne Giess reported her committee will meet following tonights meeting. Members were given tickets for wearing their name tags and bringing a food or clothing item for the USD 489 food pantries. Two prizes were awarded.
 - Sponsorship Committee – Nancy Jeter reported on new sponsors
 - Hadley Center - \$500
 - Downing Nelson Oil - \$250
 - Parker Maintenance & Remodeling - \$250
 - Advanced Property Management - \$250
 - Restore and Clean Central Kansas - \$250

- Elder Care Committee –Michelle Springer reported that valentines were delivered to Homestead and Brookdale and residents were very happy. Cookies were also presented to the staff.
- Scholarship Committee – Ruth Ruder reported there are 19 applicants. The deadline for application was March 1st. Recipients will be notified on May 1st. Three \$1000 scholarships will be awarded.
- Publicity Committee – Katie Dorzweiler reported the committee will meet following tonights meeting.

New Business

- New Projects

Community Missions Committee Projects – Darla Froelich

- Food Pantry USD 489 – Members reminded to bring food and clothing to next meeting.
- Nurse Appreciation Day – Hays Med Center will have food trucks for lunch during nurses week, May 6th-12th. Would WWL want to provide cookies in a bag with the WWL logo. Rhonda Meyerhoff made a motion to have the committee explore the cost of cookies, bags, and labels and spend no more than \$1000. LaVonne Giess seconded and the motion was approved.
- ARC Park Clean-up- Mary Karst made a motion that WWL members help with the park trash clean-up when the weather gets warmer. Rita Carswell seconded and the the motion was approved.

Options Broken Brides Project – Jennifer Hecker shared that Options is going to bring this art installation to the Hays Spring Art Walk. This project brings awareness to abusive relationship red flags. She is asking for \$1000 for the sponsorship and \$600 for first aid kits that would have the WWL logo and the number for Options, Pam Joy made a motion to give \$1000 for the sponsorship and \$600 for the first aid kits. Michelle Fairbank seconded. There was discussion. The motion was approved by the majority.

Publicity – TMP Banner for ACE Auction – Ruth Ruder shared that the WWL board approved this. The cost is \$100. Nancy asked for approval from membership. Katie Dorzweiler moved to approve the banner, Kelly MacKay seconded it and the motion was approved.

Scarlett Deutscher moved to adjourn, Tammie Williams seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, April 13, 2023 at Thirsty’s – The Venue at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Mary Ann Shorman, Secretary