



BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, November 6, 2019
FineMark National Bank&Trust
800 Laurel Drive
Naples, FL

MINUTES
APPROVED

PRESENT: Gigi Stewart, Maria Lane, Suzie Kountz, Anne Drackett Thomas, Sally Kellogg, Susan Hickey, Joan Lewis, Diane Friscaro, Maryanne Dignan, Denise Hadley, Mary Beth Jones, Connie Mockenhaupt, Annalinda Ragazzo, Gail Reifsnyder, Sharon Sparrow, Nancy Taylor, Heidi Varsame, Sherry Whalen, Donna Lindberg

TELECONFERENCE: Melissa McClayton, Charlene Barnette, Susan Harris

EXCUSED: Karen Lutz, Dusti Beaubien, Gina Finch

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS: Gigi Stewart

President Gigi Stewart called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

- Gigi asked members for any special events or happenings to be recognized.
- She thanked Paula McNulty and her committee for an overwhelmingly successful, "Black White, Girls' Night Out" with 103 members in attendance.
- Check our Facebook page to view photos of the evening.
- The November 8, 2019, Membership meeting at the Strand has 133 registered members so far and the, "Welcome Back Party" on November 14, 2019, at Hole In the Wall has 106 attendees thus far.
- Tickets for our fundraiser, "Naples Tables 2020 with Panache" and Circle of Friends tickets for the event will be in the mail soon.

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 2, 2019, BOARD MEETING

Donna Lindberg

Mary Beth Jones noted Charlene Barnette is chair of the Nominating Committee and Lauree Personette is replacing Melissa McClayton as a committee member.

Motion to approve the amended minutes was made by Donna Lindberg, seconded by Suzie Kountz, passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Suzie Kountz

- Board received Statement of Financial Position as of September 30, 2019; Operating Income and Expense Report vs. Actual; Fundraiser 2020 Income and Expense Statement Summary.
- Suzie reviewed the reports and found them to be in order. Asked Board for questions.

Motion to approve the Monthly Financial Reports was made by Suzie Kountz, seconded by Susan Hickey, passed unanimously.

- Suzie presented for approval the 2018, 990 Tax Forms to be sent to the IRS.

Motion to approve the 2018, 990 Tax Forms was made by Suzie Kountz, seconded by Sharon Sparrow, passed unanimously.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Diane Frisicaro

- Four new members were proposed this month. They are as follows:
- Melissa Gardner, JL affiliation, Boston, MA, mentor is Bev Metcalf
- Susan Matt, JL affiliation, Stamford/Norwalk, CT, mentor is Linda Cleveland
- Winifred Raleigh, JL affiliation, Cleveland, OH, mentor is Linda Lortz
- Kimberly Theiss, JL affiliation, Chicago, IL, mentor is Joan Lewis

Motion to accept Melissa Gardner, Susan Matt, Winifred Raleigh, and Kimberly Theiss as members of The League Club was made by Diane Frisicaro, seconded by Susan Hickey, passed unanimously.

- Membership total after this motion is
- 603 Previous total membership
- 4 New members

607 Total Membership

- First new member coffee was held on November 1, 2019. Eleven new members attended along with eight Board Members who gave presentations. Next coffee is February 12, 2020.
- Diane asked Board Members to save the date March 25, 2020, for the New Members luncheon at Bayside in Venetian Village.

VP COMMUNITY Susan Harris VP COMMUNITY ELECT Connie Mockenhaupt presented

- CIC has 45 members on the Committee
- Orientation scheduled for December 3, 2019, at FineMark with 3 presenters as part of the program; Eileen Connolly-Keesler, President and CEO of the Community Foundation

of Collier County; Mary Beth Geier, Florida Director for the Richard M. Schulze Family Foundation; Jack Condon, CPA, SCORE representative.

- Committee will begin meeting in January with seven meetings scheduled.
- TLC has \$423,000 to grant back to Collier and Lee Counties.
- CIC sent invitations to 45 agencies that the screening committee recommended be invited to submit proposals with the deadline to submit being November 8, 2019.
- Process is all online, Susan has worked with Bold Solutions which is doing a great job.

EDUCATION

Susan Hickey

- November Membership Meeting will focus on Social Media, small group workshops will be offered as a follow up to the presentation given at membership meeting.
- Holiday Luncheon at Kensington CC on December 5, 2019 ,will feature the Barron Collier chorus.

EVENTS

Dusti Beaubien presented by Susan Hickey for Dusti

- Past events include the following.
- June 13, 2019, Grey Oaks Pool Café, (60 attendees)
- July 11, 2019, French Restaurant, summer luncheon, (48 attendees)
- September 12, 2019, Celebrating Friends and Food, held at Suzie Kountz's home, (40 attendees)
- October 24, 2019, "Black & White, Girls' Night Out" at Baypointe Tower hosted by Paula McNulty, (99 attendees plus 6 guys from the Minor League as bartenders)
- Upcoming events include the following.
- November 14, 2019, "Welcome Back Party" at Hole in the Wall (as of 10/30/19, 127 members and guests registered)
- January 29, 2020, Dinner Dance with Bobby Remp at Grey Oaks CC
- March 11, 2020, Bus Trip to Morikami, details soon
- April 22, 2020, Baker Museum, very exciting details to follow.

FUNDRAISING

Joan Lewis

- As of October 31, 2019, 39 confirmed designers composed of local designers, local businesses and non-profits.
- Four out of town designers participating as of now; Danielle Rollins, Billy Ceglia, Laura Michaels and Shayla Copus and one international designer, Cynthia Ferguson from Toronto.
- Speaker, Alex Papachristidis , will design a table with his Everyday Elegance business partner.
- At November 8th membership meeting there will be sign- up sheets for volunteers and resource book information.
- Ad packets ready to go out on November 8, 2019.

- Still need a house for the Patron Party, could even be a non-League Club member, any ideas please contact Joan.

VP DEVELOPMENT

Sally Kellogg

- December 1, 2019, media deadline for editorials in local print.
- We are 92% of where we were last year at this time.
- \$5,000 more was added since last report by an anonymous donor, friend of The League Club.
- Total Corporate Commitments to date, November 6, 2019, is \$62,000.

ENDOWMENT Sharon Sparrow

- Fund balance as of September 30, 2019, was \$212,106.97.
- Good news fund balance as of October 29, 2019, is \$212,156.97
- One gift made since September by Barb Faude in memory of James Barry.
- There were contributions from Suzie Kountz and another made in memory of Anne Evans.

COMMUNITY LIASON

Gail Reifsynder

- Events in November include the following.
- November 14, 2019, Meals of Hope from 9-11:00AM to pack bonus bags.
- November 20, 2019, Naples Senior Center from 10 AM – 1:15 PM to serve meals and socialize.
- November 27, 2019, Naples Senior Center, 10 Am – 1:15 PM to serve meals and socialize.
- Events in December include.
- December 3, 2019, Valerie's House from 10-12:00 wrapping presents
- Angela Melvin founded Valeries's House in memory of her mother. Last year we gave Valerie's House \$6,000 to start a Spanish program.
- December 4, 2019, from 6:30-10:30 PM, at Gulfshore Playhouse ushering and serving refreshments
- December 7, 2019, Valerie's House from 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM helping with Christmas party
- December 16, 2019, Salvation Army shifts from 9:00 AM – Noon and 1-3:00 PM distributing gifts.
- January 13, 2020, we will have an Emergency Safety seminar with the Public Education officer from Collier County Fire Department at Station 45 from 10 AM to noon. Soup and baguettes will be served for those wishing to stay and take a one hour tour of the station.

- Special thank you to Susan Hickey for helping our members learn how to register for events. Turn out has not been good and it is suggested she speak at Membership meeting. Also suggested to have signup sheets for DIAD on the tables.
- An Empty Bowls event had to be cancelled due to a poor signup.

AREA MEETINGS Nancy Taylor

- Neighborhood gatherings will be held on March 10, 2020, from 4-6PM
- Mary Beth Jones asks that discussion results be shared with Future Planning
- Nancy asked if anyone has a good topic or “burning issue” for discussion to please pass it along to her.

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CORRESPONDING SECRETARY Sherry Whalen

- A get-well card was sent to Linda Fitzhugh after incurring a fall.

OTHER BUSINESS

President Gigi Stewart asked for other business.

- Diane Frisicaro had one new member to present, Mary Precheur, JL affiliation, Princeton, NJ, and Jackson, MS

Motion to accept Mary Precheur as a member of The League Club was made by Diane Frisicaro, seconded by Maria Lane, passed unanimously.

- Diane presented the new membership after this motion as:
 - 607 Previous total membership
 - + 1 New member

- 608 Total Membership

ADJOURNMENT

President called for adjournment
Meeting was adjourned at 9:40 AM

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Lindberg

Recording Secretary

