

VAAUW Board Meeting Minutes – August 1, 2023

Zoom Meeting

Present: Jan Harris, Bev Weltzien, Bobbi Amero, Joy Mikulski, Pam Swarts, Lynda Weston, Wendy Seeley, Jo Rahaim, Susan Hotzler, Nancy Brex, Marge Collin, Trena Kelly, Lesley Curley, Marge Ostrom, Paula Dulski, Dee Glatz, Catherine Paulson, Debbie Blackwell, Sybil Hoffmeyer, Cynthia Bioteau, Barbara Constantz, Bonnee Hagen

Co-presidents Jan Harris and Bev Weltzien called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

May 11, 2023 board minutes were approved as submitted.

Bonnee Hagen is the chair of Kind Thoughts, previously called Sunshine. The duties are unchanged.

Finance Director's Report – Bobbi Amero

Net Carryover from FY 2023 is \$11,861.37

MOTION – Approve budget for FY23-24. PASSED.

MOTION- Approve revised expense voucher. PASSED.

Vice President's Report – Joyce Mikulski

Joyce presented several new initiatives to increase our visibility in the community. A new copyrighted logo for VAAUW will appear on all electronic and written communications.

Miss Venice Fast-Pitch Softball team will advertise our logo as a sponsor.

MOTION - Approve \$400 donation to team. PASSED.

The website needs to be updated to make it more attractive and locally relevant. Members will be encouraged to use the website. Volunteers needed to help.

Membership – Marge Collin

An updated membership application was shared. Discussed listing all or the most recent degree achieved on form.

Media Directors – Nancy Brex, Susan Hotzler, Paula Dulski

Communications Directors are now Media Directors.

Paula Dulski will join the team as director of Media Tech. It includes Zoom meetings, Powerpoint presentations, e-blasts, Venice Views, and the Telephone Tree.

Development – Cynthia Bioteau

Major fundraisers will be the Home Tour and the Ruth Bader Ginsberg presentation.

MOTION – approve budget for the RBG presentation. PASSED.

Goal is to raise \$50,000 for scholarships.

An additional fundraiser may be added.

Education – Wendy Seeley

Scholarship awards of \$2,500 each was awarded to five women.

Three women received \$1,000 each to attend Tech Trek.

Wendy met the recipients. She will invite them to a future Mix & Mingle so our membership can meet them.

Programs – Pam Swartz

MOTION – Approve the 2023-24 schedule. PASSED.

Pam secured “The Silver Foxes” as the entertainment for the Holiday Luncheon.

MOTION - Approve \$400 for the entertainment from our operating fund.

Two outings under consideration are a visit to a local classroom in September and a Miss Venice baseball game.

A cyber security presentation is pending.

Public Policy – Debbie Blackwell and Barbara Constantz

Focus on education and constitutional rights. Will utilize petitions, postcards, and phone calls to advocate for changes.

SIGS- Lynda Weston

Volunteer needed to organize the SIG, “Exploring with your Camera”.

A venue for duplicate bridge is needed.

Old Business

The annual report has been completed and will be sent by Paula as an e-blast.

Update to policies and procedures has been completed. A vote to approve the changes will occur next month.

New Business

MOTION – Approve chain of command document for new member applications, Venice Views, and Programs. PASSED.

Marge Ostrom and Dee Glatz discussed the Community Involvement SIG. A chair is needed.

Announcements

October 3, 2023, 10:00 AM, Board meeting via Zoom

October 12, 2023, 10:00 AM, Branch meeting, 10:00 AM, Joyce Mikulski will chair.

MOTION to adjourn 12:46 PM. PASSED.

Respectfully submitted,
Jo Rahaim