

MCADENVILLE WOMAN'S CLUB MEETING MINUTES

April 3, 2018

I. Call to Order

Susan Elkins called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM on April 3, 2018 at the Pharr YMCA Ballroom.

2. Attendees - 17

Linda Blackledge, Roxann Rankin, Pat Leathco, Sandra Brittain, Mona Fore, Darinda Fredricksen, Angela Bradmon, Suzanne Washam, Ashley Westmoreland, Kristen Trum, Susan Elkins, Laura Lewis, Annie Lodge, Linda Wilcox, Linda Payne, Carrie Bailey and Kelly Jones

3. Recognition of Visitors

None

4. Invocation

Linda Wilcox lead us in prayer in Summer's absence.

5. Approval of Minutes

February minutes were approved by Suzanne Washam and seconded by Roxann Rankin. March minutes were approved by Ashley Westmoreland and seconded by Linda Wilcox.

6. Treasurers Report

March report was approved by Laura Lewis and seconded by Linda Payne.

OLD BUSINESS

7. What would you do? Recap

The club reviewed everyone's ideas that they wrote down at the previous meeting about how the club could help more in the community. Susan provided members with a printout that outlined all of the ideas and they were discussed. These ideas will be used in the future when trying to determine where the clubs funds should be used.

8. Beautification Committee- Updated Description

The updated description that was emailed to the club recently was reviewed. A motion was made to approve by Roxann Rankin and seconded by Kelly Jones. The motion passed.

REMINDER: The next beautification day will be on Saturday, April 21st at the McAdenville Elementary School from 10 a.m.- 12 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

9. Scholarship Committee

Darinda Fredricksen explained the functions of the Scholarship committee, which consists of Darinda, Mona Fore & Suzanne Washam. They send scholarship application packages to the local schools' guidance counselors and ask them to find students who qualify and offer the application to them. The applications are due April 18th. The requirements are:

- They must live in McAdenville with 1 or more parents/legal guardian
- Minimum 2.5 GPA on 4.0 scale
- They must be going to a 4 year college, 2 year college, community college, grad school or medical school
- They must send the application, official SAT scores, official transcript, letter stating plans for college and how they plan to finance it and a letter of reference before the deadline.

The application will soon be available on the Woman's Club website.

The committee has a \$3,000 budget which can be split between multiple applicants. More money can also be requested from the club if there are more worthy applicants than normal. The scholarship is named after Maxine Porch, a member that passed away from cancer over 20 years ago. Applicants who are awarded a scholarship will have it announced at awards day at the high schools.

10. Community Assistance Ideas

The committee informed the club that they voted to give a \$1500 YMCA Sports Donation, which will sponsor 6

sports/teams.

Mona made a motion to give \$500 to the Cope Family to help them out financially. The Cope's are related to Georgio and have a baby with a rare disease. Because of this they are going through hard financial times. They just moved into a house that needs over \$50,000 worth of work to get it functioning. Roxann is going to find out more information about this and bring it to the next meeting to determine if we want to help them out with the house projects. The motion was seconded by Suzanne Washam and the motion passed.

Laura Lewis is waiting to hear back from Greg Richardson about the Carolina Thread Trail footbridge (near the kayak launch) that needs to be replaced. She said it will cost no more than \$6,000 to replace the bridge, but the committee is looking into donating a portion to help replace it. We will know more next month since Greg is our program for May.

Laura Lewis proposed that we ear-mark \$15,000 for future Carolina Thread Trail improvements. Once they expand the thread trail from McAdenville down the South Fork River to Belmont, there will be a need for benches, trash bins, workout stations, dog cleanup stations, plantings, etc. There was some discussion and the issue was tabled for discussion at the next meeting.

11. Former Club President Memorial

Roxann Rankin made a motion to donate \$100 to Hospice of Gaston County in honor of Evelyn Parton (Mock) who passed away. Evelyn was a former club President. The motion was seconded by Kristen Trum and the motion passed.

12. YMCA Sports Donation

Ashley Westmoreland spoke about what the YMCA full year sports donation entails. We get a large sign that hangs with our logo in the Stowe Gym, an opportunity to have a sponsor booth at one of the games, single sport sponsor banner on the fence around the ballpark and our name on the jerseys for 6 sports. If you are interested in donating individually, Ashley is going to send out an email this month with instructions on how to do so.

13. School Bond Referendum

Ashley Westmoreland spoke about the School Bond referendum. On May 8th you are able to vote on a \$250 million school bond referendum. This money will go towards building new schools, repairing current schools, school additions, safety enhancements, etc. Taxes will go up in the area an estimated \$17 per household if voted yes.

14. 2018 Dues- \$15 to Linda Blackledge

Dues need to be paid to Linda Blackledge as soon as possible. You can pay by cash/check or by credit card for an additional \$.50 fee.

15. Adjournment – Next meeting will be on Tuesday, May 1st at 7 PM in the Pharr YMCA Ballroom. Linda Wilcox and Linda Payne are our hostesses.