# MCADENVILLE WOMAN'S CLUB MEETING MINUTES September 4, 2018

#### I. Call to Order

Susan Elkins called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM on September 4, 2018 at the Pharr YMCA Ballroom.

#### 2. Attendees - 38

Linda Payne, Linda Wilcox, Vineetha Menon, Ellen Burns, Ashley Robertson, Mandi Payne, Micki Terry, Susan Cayton, Shannon White, Laura Lewis, Mona Fore, Jennifer Phelps-Whitlock, Ashley Westmoreland, Helen Niles, Suzanne Washam, Kristin Turner, Jennifer Lindsay, Courtney Humphries, Melissa Rushing, Candice Cook, Pam Sowards, Erika Sutphin, Brandi Collier, Julie Richardson, Sara Gilbert- Kay, Chelsea Cotecioara, Shannon Martin, Stefanie Baruk, Alison Hannon, Susan Elkins, Kristen Trum, Linda Blackledge, Roxanne Rankin, Summer Bachman, Kelly Jones, Jennings Dixon, Kristy Jenkins & Darinda Fredricksen

# 3. Recognition of Visitors

6 Visitors joined us this meeting. Welcome to all the new attendees!

#### 4. Carolina Thread Trail

Bret Baronak joined us to talk about the Carolina Thread Trail and their need for a new bridge along the South Fork Trail. This trail going through our town is in a priority corridor for the Thread Trail. Their goal is to extend the trail all the way to Spencer Mountain (7 miles away). The bridge they want to build is going to be 20 feet long and 5 feet 4 inches wide. This will make the portion of the trail that is impassable at times passable and will open the trail up to a wider range of people who have trouble crossing this spot. The cost estimate is \$4900.00 to build, and they said it could be built in about a week once the proper approvals/permits are obtained. They plan to begin construction in Fall 2018.

#### 5. 2018 YMCA Nutcracker

Kristy Jenkins, the YMCA dance director joined us to talk about performing the Nutcracker again this year. She thanked the club for all of our support and expressed how important this performance is to the YMCA dancers. Last year 70 people performed for a crowd of 400-500 people. This year she is asking for help again in the form of volunteers. She needs 9 boys to perform as toy soldiers, costume alteration volunteers, backstage help and adult party guests. The Nutcracker will be held at 6 PM on Tuesday, December 18th. Rain Date is Wednesday, December 19th at 6 PM.

# 6. Approval of Minutes

May minutes were approved by Roxann Rankin and seconded by Stefanie Baruk. June minutes were approved by Erika Sutphin and seconded by Kristin Turner.

## 7. Treasurers Report

June report was approved by Pam Sowards and seconded by Courtney Humphries.

## 8. Invocation

Summer Bachman read a passage with a message about "Keeping Up the Good Work".

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

## 9. Permanent Name Tags

Sheryl Beck designed permanent reversible name tags for the club to be used at meetings and any Woman's club events.

## 10. Getting to Know You Form

Laura Lewis re-designed the Getting to Know You form and distributed to the club members to fill out. Please return these forms to Kristen Trum.

# 11. Scholarship Update

Darinda Fredricksen let the club know that money had been disbursed to Clemson University for this year's scholarship winner and that we are all set for next year's scholarship applications.

# 12. Beautification Committee- Edison Park Update

Suzanne Washam provided an update on the changes we are making to Edison Park. Work began the week before the meeting and they hope to have it completed before Christmas.

## 13. McAdenville Elementary School Sponsorship

Ashley Westmoreland spoke about a sponsorship opportunity for the 2018/2019 school year. You can sponsor as an individual or family or if you know a business who would be interested, they also do corporate sponsorships. Sponsorships must be received by October 1st. Please contact Ashley if you are interested.

# 14. Nominating Committee/Finance Committee

Susan Elkins reminded the nominating committee and finance committee that they need to meet this month to pick new nominees for next year and to create and approve next year's budget.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

# 15. Methodist Church Donation/Historical Committee

Roxann Rankin talked about our options for the \$2000 donation we received from the Methodist Church. One idea is to turn the Fellowship Hall inside the new Town Hall into a museum for club memorabilia. Unfortunately we do not know if there will be a sufficient space in the Town Hall. Roxann asked that we reconvene in January once the Town Hall is up and running to see how much space they have. If we move forward with this, we will need to create a Historical Committee to maintain the museum and volunteer at the museum. More to come at the January meeting.

## 16. 2018 Shirt Design Pre-Order

The 2018 shirt design was revealed to the club and the Shirt committee passed around a pre-order sheet. They are offering t-shirts, long sleeved shirts and hoodies. Orders placed now should be in by the November meeting. Please contact Shannon Martin if you'd like to place your pre-order. This year the shirts will be ordered and sold earlier so that we can sell them at the Lowell Octoberfest. Shirts will also be sold at Georgios, 115 Main & the Gaston County Visitor Center.

## 17. ChristmasTown 5K

Ashley Westmoreland provided a 5K update. We have 626 runners registered! This is a huge increase over this time last year. Ashley mentioned that the times were changed for packet pickup this year based on the volume we saw last year during the peak times. There will be more times on Wednesday and less times on Friday before the race. A change this year: NO MINORS may volunteer on race day due to insurance reasons. This year we will also need to purchase event insurance, which Ashley will work on this month.

## 18. Carolina Thread Trail

Laura Lewis made a motion to donate the full \$4900.00 the Carolina Thread Trail needed to build the South Fork Trail bridge. The motion was seconded by Mona Fore and the motion passed.

19. Adjournment – Next meeting will be on Tuesday, October 2nd at 7:00 PM in the Pharr YMCA Ballroom. Hostesses are Julie Richardson, Darinda Fredricksen & Suzanne Washam. We hope to see you there!