

Redding Newcomers and Friends
Board of Directors Meeting
11/16/2021, 10 AM, Paris Park Clubhouse, Redding, CA

President Freddie Martin called the meeting to order and thanked Mary Forbes for supplying the refreshments.

OFFICER REPORTS

1st VP Diane Silver reported that she had 1 or 2 ladies interested in attending the Dec. 1st New Members Coffee.

2nd VP Linda Eyre said that Shannon Phillips, COO of the McConnell Foundation will be our guest speaker at the next General Meeting.

Secretary Jan Haskell read the Minutes from the previous Board Meeting. The minutes were approved with a change to the Scholarship information to indicate that 2022 applications will be accepted in March instead of May.

Karen Coupe-Bonnett stated that the checking account balance is \$9671.71, and the savings account balance is \$6288.12. Karen also suggested sending an email to alert the membership that no lunch will be served at the November General Meeting. Carol Skill said it would be done.

Parliamentarian Mary Forbes had no report.

OLD BUSINESS

Activity Chair Updates

Reporting on the Christmas Charities, Romona Bowling reported that there were now 55 volunteers to help spread the cheer. Lynn Smith and

Connie Laughlin will be on hand at the November General Meeting to sell lunch tickets. Kathy Jensen and Romona Bowling will be selling raffle tickets. Lynn and Romona will be reviewing the floor plan layout with the Elks Club and the Caterer to assure that we will have use of the entire room.

Romona also delivered the news that the **Christmas Event** at the Riverfront Playhouse is totally sold out and there are many people on the waiting list. So please let her know if anyone cannot use their tickets.

President Freddie Martin relayed a message from **Amy Dodge** that the **canned food collection** will resume at the November General Meeting with **Joyce Morrow** stepping in to assist. There will be no separate drive through collection in January as originally planned.

Freddie also announced that the General Meetings will continue to be held on the 4th Monday instead of changing back to Wednesday.

NEW BUSINESS

Website Chairs Sharon Roberts and Carol Skill reported that they believe that the problem with our newsletter being publicly available on Google search engine has been resolved. Carol asked if we wish to continue posting the minutes to the General and the Board Meetings on our website. After much discussion it was decided that both would be made available for the most recent 3 months and then deleted from the site. It was also decided that the Welcome Mat newsletter will be kept on the website for one year.

President Freddie Martin requested volunteers to serve as greeters at the next General Meeting. **Jan Haskell** volunteered. **Diane Silver** mentioned that she needs volunteers for the New Members Coffee meetings. Freddie reminded all that the next Board meeting will be held on Dec. 7th at the Paris Park Community Room, followed by the Secret Sisters reveal party with potluck and gift exchange.

Freddie also stepped in as **Storyteller**, sharing a lesson in meaningful punctuation. We all agreed that “Woman! Without her, man is nothing.”

With **Giving Tuesday** coming up, **Mary Forbes** made a plea for much needed donations to the **Riverfront Playhouse** to fund their new Theater Manager position.

The meeting was adjourned by President Freddie Martin.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jan Haskell, Secretary

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