

PRESIDENT, LUCINDA WILLIAMS, called the Board Meeting to order at 10 am the home of Kathy Jensen. She thanked Kathy for the last-minute hosting and Patti Sauret & Sharon Salpas for the treats. 13 attended.

ROMONA BOWLING, SECRETARY, read the Aug 15, 2023 Joint Board Meeting Minutes. The Minutes were approved as read and will be posted on the Website by Sharon & Carol.

MICKEY MARTIN, TREASURER, gave the report stating our Checking Account is \$15,550.02 and our Savings Account is \$6,289.17. She reported on the checks cleared, and the \$500 transfer to the Scholarship Fund .

PEGGY NISWANDER, FINANCIAL SECRETARY, was absent so **Lucinda** presented the Budget Summary for 2023-2024. The Income of \$8525 is based on 275 Members, with Expenses of \$7889 leaving \$636 surplus. Note: \$50 was motioned & approved so net surplus now is \$586. Budget approval will be at next Board Meeting.

SUSAN SECHRIST, 1ST VP, reported on a successful Coffee this month and encouraged continued attendance.

ELIZABETH SHERMAN, 2nd VP, reported on the upcoming speakers for the General Meetings: Sept -Animal League Speaker, October – Refuge Speaker, Nov – Soroptimists –, Jan – Whiskeytown Environment School: Franchesca Hudson, Speaker. Details to be in the Welcome Mat

RUTH PLATO reporting for RUTH MARKS, MEMBERSHIP, stated we have 248 members.

SHARON CHESTNUT, SUNSHINE, not present. Info is in the Welcome Mat. Lucinda reported on Diane Silver.

SHARON ROBERTS & CAROL SKILL – WEBSITE UPDATES: SHARON & CAROL are working on (1) the new Roster, verifying all the Names and Info are correct and ready for publishing, (2) the listing of the new Activity Chairs for publishing. Sharon will post a current list of supplies & decorations and email list to Board & Chairs.

GERRI SMITH showed the Greeters Tags that she made. Lucky Ladies & Open Pinochle will use at Gen.Mtg. The Tags will assist new members in asking for info, etc. Vicki Boroughs will maintain for each month.

LUCINDA WILLIAMS reported for Joyce Menta that One-Can-at-a-Time will be for the Good News Rescue Mission in October. Info in the Welcome Mat. (Sept. is One Safe Place)

Events Upcoming: Pick of the Vine in Shasta Lake is tomorrow night – need a few more people to come.

Why Cook Tonight is at CR Gibbs , 22 people have signed up already,

Creative You is meeting at Gerri Smith's on Thursday with Jewelry as the topic. Oct's meeting will be "Diamond Art" Bags. Cost is \$10.

NeedleNuts possibly a day change – more to come.

Pinochle Co-Ordinator, Kathy Gay will speak at the next General Meeting regarding lots of openings in all the Pinochle Groups and we will teach new players. Small info cards to be given to interested members.

NEW BUSINESS:

SCHOLARSHIP – Lucinda appointed Gerri Smith to Chair a committee to re-vamp our scholarship plans. Gerri will select a committee to meet in late October and report to the Board in December.

A discussion was held on how to identify New Members and how to make them feel more welcome at our General Meetings. It was decided that new Members will be given a “FLOWER LEI” when they sign in to identify them to the rest of the group as “NEW”. Lucinda will remind the members right before the General Meeting break to look for the “LEI’s” and go and greet the new members. Romona will bring the LEI’s.

LUCINDA presented info on having a Newcomer Business Card printed with info for prospective new members. A MOTION WAS MADE BY KATHY JENSEN AND SECONDED BY KATHY GAY TO SPEND UP TO \$50 TO HAVE 500 NEWCOMERS BUSINESS CARDS PRINTED. MOTION WAS APPROVED. Lucinda will handle.

LOUISE WILSON – COMMUNITY TABLE – Louise will create an “EVENTS SIGN-UP SHEETS” with members’ contact info so members can go together to local events.

A **Newcomers’ Cookbook** was discussed and decision was not to pursue it.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

NEXT BOARD MEETING AT BARBARA EDINGTON’S HOME ON 10/17/2023.

GENERAL MTG: 9/28/23 AT THE ELKS.

Meeting adjourned at 11:27 pm.

Minutes submitted by Romona Bowling, Secretary