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Business Meeting Minutes

MEETING PLACE AND TIME:

The business meeting of Soroptimist International of Bidwell Rancho was held on Tuesday, September 10, 2019, at Garden Villa Cafe, 196 Cohasset Rd., Chico, CA. The meeting was called to order by President Babette Maiss, at 6:05 p.m. Other members present were Melanie Austen, Lisa Fitzgerald, Sheron Box, Sally Mendez, Linda Lucena, Dawn McDonald, Betsy Spear, Cathy Gurney, Maxine Guynn, Kim Sayers, Cha Cha (Traci Williams), Della Miller, Sarah Fry, Gayle Luna, Yvette Sanfilippo, Susan Bandstra, Sue Johnston, Carol Johnson, Valerie Miller, Marie Hartman.

PLEDGE:

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

"Coming Together is a Beginning, Staying Together is Progress and Working together is Success -
Henry Ford

HAPPY BUCKS

MINUTES:

The minutes of the previous business meeting held on Tuesday, May 28, 2019, were distributed via email and available at the meeting. There were 3 corrections and the minutes were approved as corrected.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Melanie Austen emailed and reviewed at the meeting the June 30, 2019 report. There was a total balance of \$69,243.72 which includes restricted funds received for the Camp Fire Fund in the amount of \$17,629.93 as well as \$300.00 being held for the S Club, leaving an available balance of \$51,313.79. Hearing no objections, the report will be filed for review.

PROGRAM/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

- President Babette installed three new members: Carol Johnson, Valerie Miller, and Susan Johnson. Welcome!
- The Membership Chair, Immediate Past President Angie Little, is working toward scheduling a New Member Orientation meeting soon, TBA by IPP Angie.

- Pres Babette gave kudos to Sarah Frye for signing up for multiple committees for this coming club year;
- More members are needed for the following committees: Special Events, DIBI, Focus. Any member who would like to sign up for a committee can do so from our SIBR website, and all new members are encouraged to check them out to find a committee or two that interests them.

LIVE YOUR DREAM AWARD COMMITTEE

- Marie Hartman, chair, announced that the portal for the on-line application process is open and she encourages all members to get the word out.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

- SIBR will have a 'bar crawl', similar to the event done prior to the Micro Brew Fest, in downtown Chico, September 17, 2019, during which members will ask downtown businesses hang the Silent Disco flyer. Meet at Duffy's Bar a 5:30 pm.
- The Silent Disco posters, flyers and hard tickets were made available to members at this meeting. Most members took hard tickets with them to try to sell prior to the event.
- President Babette handed out to each member a printed "Email Etiquette/Rules of Courtesy" guide for all members.

ANTI TRAFFICKING COMMITTEE

- Chair Linda Lucena reported that she attended a meeting of the Panhellenic Counsel at Chico State University to discuss current efforts and deliver the "Circle of 6" information cards.
- There will be newly formed Ad Hoc committee to assist Linda with projects this year. The committee will be contacting STOP at Chico State as well as Catalyst of Chico to offer the Circle of 6 info cards.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- The finalized SIBR 2019-2020 Budget was submitted and reviewed by the Treasurer. The adjustments made from the version voted on and approved by the membership were for the adjust actual income after expenses from the Brew Fest Fundraiser. There was a motion, second and vote to approve the revised, final version as submitted at this meeting.
- SIBR is hosting the Sierra Nevada Region Fall Meeting on Saturday, October 5, 2019 at Manzanita Place and all members are encouraged to attend this meeting all the other events involving the SNR delegation that will be visiting with us that weekend.

NEW BUSINESS:

- SIBR member Traci (Cha Cha) has kindly offered to take new member photos for the SIBR website at our next (speaker) meeting.
- SI Chico has invited the club, all members, to attend their SUDS on November 7, 2019, at The Commons Social Emporium.

CALENDAR:

- September 17, 2019 - Bar Crawl for Silent Disco, Duffy's 5:30 pm
- September 24, 2019 - Speaker Meeting - Welcome Inspire S-club
- October 1, 2019 - SIBR Board meeting, 5:45 pm
- October 4, 2019 - Friday night Fla-mingle with District 1 at The Handle Bar, 6:00 pm
- October 5, 2019 - District 1 Fall Meeting, Manzanita Place, 10:00 am
- October 6, 2019 - Sierra Nevada Region meeting of the Board, Oxford Suite, 9:00 am
- November 7, 2019 - SUDS with SI Chico, The Commons, tba
- December 12, 2019 - Santa Project , Dorothy Johnson Center

SOROPTIMIST PLEDGE

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.
Kim Sayers, Secretary