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SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF

BIDWELL RANCHO

Business Meeting Minutes Approved

MEETING PLACE AND TIME:

The business meeting of Soroptimist International of Bidwell Rancho was held on Tuesday, March 10, 2020, at The Pour House, 855 East Avenue, Chico, CA. The meeting was called to order by President Babette Maiss, at 6:04 p.m. Other members present were Pam Shelton, Gayle Luna, Cathy Gurney, Betsy Spears, Maxine Guynn, Sherry Holbrook, Lisa Fitzgerald, Judi Merlo, Dawn McDonald, Susan Bandstra, Sue Johnston, Sheron Box, Marie Hartman, Kim Sayers, Yvette Sanfilippo, and Sally Mendez.

PLEDGE:

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

“A woman with a voice is, by definition, a strong woman.” - Melinda Gates

HAPPY BUCKS

MINUTES:

The minutes of the previous business meeting held on Tuesday, February 11, 2020, were distributed via email. There were no corrections and the minutes were approved as submitted.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Melanie was unable to attend and Member Sheron Box presented the treasurer's report for February 29, 2020. The report reflected an ending balance of \$33,835.93 which included restricted funds of \$471.00, belonging to the S Club, and \$125.00 remaining from Camp Fire funds. Hearing no objections, the report will be filed for review.

PROGRAM/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

DREAM IT BE IT COMMITTEE

Committee Chair Babette reported that 8 girls have signed up as of now for this year's DIBI. Session #1 which is facilitated by SIBR members will be **March 11, 2020**. She reminded everyone that the sessions this year start at 10:50 am and end at 11:40 am and they are once again located at Fairview High School. Any members wishing to participate should use the Sign-Up page on the SIBR website asap.

- She also mentioned that security at the school is tighter this year so please arrived a few minutes early to sign in at the office.

BREW FEST COMMITTEE

- Committee Chair Sheron Box, reported that we have 1 Food Truck plus a Shaved Ice (with booze) truck who have confirmed their participation so far. SIBR is to receive \$150.00 from the vendors who are selling items at the event. Sheron asks that any members with ideas regarding other vendors please contact the committee as soon as possible.
- The big item this year is the fact that the breweries are NO LONGER DONATING their products to these types of events and the club will be required to purchase all beers and other products. They will however sell to us at a discount. This may require more volunteers to pour and haul the beverages where needed. Please keep selling tickets as this change has increased the costs of the event by at least \$3,000.00.
- So far 130 tickets have been sold on-line and more have been sold by members.
- The committee would love more creative ideas from members to help make our 25th Micro Brewfest fun and memorable.
- The SIBR Board borrowed the idea of having a DIY 'pretzel necklace' craft table at the event, as seen at other beer tasting events.
- Babette is working on video promos for the website.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- There was a motion at the last meeting, the Speaker Meeting of February 25, 2020, to postpone the Silent Disco Fundraiser which was set for April 3, 2020. As there was a quorum at this meeting discussion was allowed and the motion was seconded and approved. The fundraiser for April 3, 2020 has been postponed due to the clubs wish to concentrate on this year's Micro Brewfest.
- The Sierra Nevada Region (SNR) 5-Star Public Awareness Award application has been submitted by Pres Babette with the E-blast, Website & Innovative Public Awareness categories as the submissions due to Pres Babette's role of assistant judge for the Social Media category creating a conflict.

NEW BUSINESS:

- The Call to the annual Sierra Nevada Region (SNR) conference was sent out via email. Please review and let SIBR Director Susan know if you have any questions.
- The new SNR officer's voting will be discussed at the next SIBR Business Mtg. The candidate resume's are included with the call. Our own Lisa Fitzgerald is running for Governor Elect and Sheron box is running for her second term as SNR treasurer.
- SIBR will be taking a group picture today after this meeting for #EachforEqual Rights for our website and social media.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Please see attached list of correspondence.

CALENDAR:

- March 3, 2020 - Board Meeting
- March 11, 2020 - Session #1 of Dream It Be It
- March 24, 2020 - SIBR Awards dinner

- April 1, 2020 - Session #3 DIBI
- April 7, 2020 - Business Mtg
- April 21, 2020 - Speaker Mtg
- April 24-26, 2020 - SNR Conference, Reno NV
- May 2, 2020 - Pioneer Day Parade, Chico
- May 19, 2020 - Annual poster distribution in downtown Chico for Micro Brewfest

SOROPTIMIST PLEDGE

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