

Soroptimist International Bidwell Rancho
Business Meeting
January 14, 2025

1. **Call to Order**

The Business Meeting of Soroptimist International Bidwell Rancho was held at Bidwell Park Golf Course. The Call to Order was at 6:05 PM. Board members present were President Marie Hartman, Vice President Babette Maiss, Immediate Past President Linda Lucena, Treasurer Paula Wilson, Financial Director Judi Merlo, Secretary Maxine Guynn, and Director Angie Little.

Members present were Della Miller, Eileen Gonzalez, Melanie Austin Kopping, Layne Diestel, Anne Marie Chik, Yvette Sanfilippo, Celeste Garcia, Sally Mendez, Erica Garman, Susan Bandstra, Lisa Fitzgerald and Michelle Chambers.

A Quorum was present

2. **Introductions**

3. **Thought for the Day** - "Believe you can and you are halfway there" - Theodore Roosevelt

4. **Happy Bucks** - Santa Project Thank you letters from the students at Little Chico Creek Elementary were passed around.

5. **Approval of Minutes**

The Minutes were approved as written

6. **Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's report was approved

7. **Unfinished Business**

Fundraising Committee, Babette reported that the Spring Luncheon is on facebook as an event page with link to purchase tickets. The event page is also on our website at the Fundraising tab. Hard copy tickets for the event are now available. The QR code for payment is on the ticket. We are looking for sponsors for the event, Sponsorships are available for \$3000.00 to \$100.00.

Fairview Committee, Layne thanked the Club for their support of the Holiday giving tree for Fairview. The Committee also held a Holiday party for the Junior High at Fairview.

Trafficking Committee, Celeste reported that they were working with the Forensic Nurses at Enloe Hospital to replenish the backpacks for the victims of trafficking. They are looking for smaller groups to give a presentation to about trafficking.

Committee reports to Board, Marie is emailing a report form to the committee Chairmen. The Chairmen will send these reports to the President every month.

8. **New Business**

Districts 1&2 Leadership Summit, Marie announced a joint Leadership Summit February 22nd in Yuba City. The event is \$45.00 including lunch.

SIA upcoming events, The Power of Planned Giving Webinar is January 28th, at 7:00 PM Eastern Time. A virtual Tea Party to celebrate International Women's Day will be March 10th 8:00 PM Eastern time.

9. **Correspondence**

Thank you notes from the students at Little Chico Creek Elementary School for the Santa Project.

10. **Calendar**

January 28th - Program Meeting
February 4th - Board Meeting
February 11th - Business Meeting
February 25th - Program Meeting

11. **Meeting Adjourned**

Meeting was adjourned at 6:44 PM by President Marie Hartman