

**Soroptimist International Bidwell Rancho
Business Meeting
April 9, 2024**

1. Call to Order

The Business meeting of Soroptimist International Bidwell Rancho was held at Nash's Restaurant. The Call to Order was at 6:12 p.m. Board members present were President Marie Hartman, Vice President Babette Maiss, Immediate Past President Linda Lucena, Treasurer Paula Wilson, Financial Coordinator Judi Merlo, Secretary Maxine Guynn and Director Angie Little.

Members present were, Kim Sayers, Susan Bandstra, Lisa Fitzgerald, Renee Hauge, Layne Diestel, Celeste Garcia, Sally Mendez, Michelle Chambers, Anne Marie,

A quorum was present.

2. Introductions

3. Thought of the Day - "the beautiful spring came; and when Nature resumes her loveliness, the humans soul is apt to revive also." - Harriet Ann Jacobs

4. Happy Bucks

5. Approval of Minutes March 12th Business Meeting - Minutes were approved.

6. Treasurer's Report - The Treasurer's report was approved.

7. Unfinished Business-

a. Fundraising Committee report, Babette reported that the Anti-Trafficking 5K has 30 runner signed up. The T Shirts will be light blue cotton. Lundberg Farms will donate rice chips for the race. Babette asked the Members to share the race on Facebook as we still have time to get runners and sponsors .

We have a signed contract with Blue Sky Events for the Brewfest. It will be called The Red, White and Brew Bash & Wine Fest. It will be held on June 29th at the down town City Plaza, 4-9 pm. There will be a Soroptimist VIP area where Butte Creek BBQ will serve finger foods. \$95 for VIP ticket and \$65 for general admission . The Club will receive 20% of the net profits, 100% of the Raffle, \$10.00 per ticket we sell, and 25% of the sponsors donations that club members recruit.

b. DIBI, Babette reported that we have 34 girls signed up, 10 out of Gridley. Set-up will be at 8:00 at St. John's Episcopal Church. Lunch will be from La Cocina Economica.

c. Fairview, Layne thanked Members for their support, as the budget is small and there are many needs. They will be giving three scholarships for \$700.00. The committee is having a garage sale April 27th at Celeste's home to raise funds for a Fairview Teachers Appreciation luncheon. They need larger items donated for the sale. The Fairview Career Fair is April 24th at Fairview. They need more businesses to participate. Trish would like contacts for Hotel and Home improvement employment.

8. **New Business -**

- a. Standing Rules Change re: dues. Marie proposed a rule change for dues. The club members will receive an itemized invoice that includes \$25.00 for SNR dues and \$25 for SIBR dues. The motion was approved .
- b. Membership, Linda reported that Maria Elena Young wants to charter a new Soroptimist club in Paradise. Maria is a former SI Vacaville member. She is currently looking at venues and has several women interested. Maria and a guest attended the meeting.
- c. Bellevue SIA Convention, Marie, Babette, Kim, Lisa, Layne and Michelle are . attending the convention. Lisa and Kim are traveling to convention on the train.
- d. SNR Call to Conference is out, the Conference is June 7th - 9th in Reno. All Members are encouraged to attend and take advantage of the Early Bird pricing.

9. **Correspondence -**

Thank You from Billie, District Director
PO Box Bill
New Checks from Harland Clark
email Thank you from Dawn

10. **Calendar -**

April 13th - Dream it Be it
April 21st - Anti- Trafficking 5K
April 23rd - Program Meeting

11. **Meeting Adjourned**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:04 by President Marie Hartman