

TORRANCE WOMAN'S CLUB
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

February 1, 2017

President Anita Dinicola called the February General Business Meeting of the Torrance Woman's Club to order at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, February 1, 2017. Inspiration was given by **Judy Burrow**. The Renewal of the Pledge of Allegiance was led by **GiGi Mansfield**.

President Anita welcomed all in attendance and introduced the members at the head table which included special guest **Toby Kahan**, our CFWC State President. Table guests were introduced.

Members Health – Marilyn Keller and Lee Large are on the mend. **Connie Hedde** is hospitalized and **Frances Demeules** is now home. Cards and well wishes are always appreciated.

Madonna Davenport announced there are straw ballots on all the tables and members are asked to fill them out with their nominations for club officers for the next term and give them to **Madonna**.

Recording Secretary, Deanna Hanson read the recommendations made at the Executive Board Meeting of January 25, 2017 which were all voted on and passed by the general membership. The minutes from the January 4, 2017 General Business Meeting stand as posted.

The recommendations/motions made at this meeting of February 1, 2017 are:

Jeaninne Glomboske moved that the bill from FinishLine Construction in the amount of \$1000 be paid. M/C.

Treasurer Mary Linn Coleman presented the Treasurer's Report for December, 2016. The balance in the Club account as of December 31, 2016 less reserves is \$1,223.16. The balance in the Clubhouse account for the same time period is \$24,032.09. Donations as of this date are \$5,904.00.

Auditor, Jeaninne Glomboske reported she has one bill from **Roberta Smith** for FinishLine Construction in the amount of \$1000 for the completion of the portable bar and moved that this bill be paid. M/C.

1st Vice President, Barbara Freeman thanked everyone for their cooperation in reporting hours and projects enabling her to complete and turn in the TWC reports on January 20, 2017. The District Council Meeting for February will be held at the El Segundo Woman's Club on February 24, 2017 and will feature a "pound auction."

2nd Vice President, Membership, Sharon Saffer acknowledged our 5, 10, 15, 20 and 30 year members and congratulated Judy Burrow for her 25 years presenting her with a pin. New member **Pat Higley** was introduced. **Sharon** reminded us that they will be collecting dues at both the March and April meetings. **Claudeene** acknowledged the February birthday celebrants.

3rd Vice President Roberta Smith had no report but reminded us to bring in our old glasses for donation to The Braille Institute.

Corresponding Secretary Susan Warner had no correspondence to be read but announced that at the January meeting, \$276 was made from the Paper Bag Auction.

Ways & Means Chairman, June Baker called for reports from her various Chairpersons. **Janet Payne** thanked everyone who donated to, worked at and purchased items from the Rummage Sale. While not all the expenses had been reported as yet, it appears that we made very close to \$2,900.

Annette Degner promoted the Country Store fundraiser that will be set up for our March meeting. Bring canned goods, bakery or crafts items and please label and price them.

Connie Vassie gave us an update on the Fashion Show plans. There have been 97 reservations made thus far. **Connie** has requested empty gift baskets along with items to fill them.

June Baker, on behalf of **Lisa Marie Silver**, announced there is a Restaurant Outing on Thursday, February 16th, at the California Pizza Kitchen who will donate 20% of the sales as long as there is a flyer presented.

April will feature a plant sale – both live and artificial plants.

Reports- **Lou Schumacher** reminded us the entries for the District Art Contest will be due (to **Lou**) at the March 1st meeting.

Fran Day announced we will be handing out water at the Super Bowl Sunday 10K race in Redondo Beach. **Fran** is soliciting ballot counters for March 6 through 10 to work at the Daily Breeze. Remember to wear red on February 3rd in support of “Go Red for Women” in the fight against heart disease.

Judy Burrow is collecting payment today for the Laughlin trip on March 21 – 23rd.

Helping Hands – Bette Herbst reported we have donated \$870 from our Club going to the St. Joseph Hospital as part of our International Outreach Program. Sole Hope will again be promoted at the Helping Hands meeting on March 15th and Bette thanked everyone for their outstanding support.

Attendance today is 83 members and 7 guests.

Philanthropy– Madonna Davenport requested that a nominating committee be appointed and **President Anita** nominated **Sharon Saffer** (representing the Board) and others who volunteered were **GiGi Mansfield, Irma Chiota** and **Char Kyes** with **Bette Herbst** and **Cindy Wall** as alternates.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 12:15 and reconvened at 12:55 for comments from our State President, **Toby Kahan** who emphasized the importance of Membership and Leadership; Increased Communication, Report Writing and Participating in Resolutions to promote **A Legacy of Strength and a Spirit of Hope.**

Kathleen Davis, Program Chairman, introduced Anita Wright, Executive Director for The Braille Institute in Los Angeles as today’s speaker who gave us an overview of what the Braille Institute does for the community.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:35 p.m. to Wednesday, March 1st at 11:00 a.m.

Deanna Hanson, Recording Secretary