

TORRANCE WOMAN'S CLUB
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

March 1, 2017

President Anita Dinicola called the March General Business Meeting of the Torrance Woman's Club to order at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, March 1, 2017. The first order of business was the march of the Past Presidents in their order of service – **Judy Burrow, Bobbie Austin, Barbara Bounds, Kathleen Davis, Deanna Hanson, Barbara Freeman** and **Fran Day** were escorted in by members of the Torrance Police Cadets. Inspiration was given by **Janet Payne** followed by the Renewal of the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Anita welcomed all in attendance and introduced the members at the head table followed by the introduction of table guests.

Members Health –**Connie Hedde** has hurt her back; **Marilyn Keller** is still in the recovery stage and **Velta** has injured her foot and ankle and **Lee Large** was welcomed back. Cards and well wishes are always appreciated.

Recording Secretary, Deanna Hanson read the recommendations made at the Executive Board Meeting of February 22, 2017 which were all voted on and passed by the general membership. The minutes from the February 1, 2017 General Business Meeting stand as posted.

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

Barbara Freeman recommended that TWC present \$61 to the Marina District as a birthday gift.

Treasurer Mary Linn Coleman presented the Treasurer's Report for January, 2017. The balance in the Club account as of January 31, 2017 less reserves is \$2,556.40. The balance in the Clubhouse account for the same time period is \$23,422.49. Donations thus far are \$6,304.00.

Auditor, Jeaninne Glomboske conducted an audit of both the Club and the Clubhouse accounts for the time period of May 31, 2016 through December 31, 2016 and found both to be in good order.

Parliamentarian, Madonna Davenport read the list of candidates for the upcoming term (2017/2018) including nominations from the floor for any position and announced that ballots will be available for voting at the April meeting. **Madonna Davenport** read the proposed by-law changes which were all accepted by the general membership.

1st Vice President, Barbara Freeman reported on the successful District fundraiser which was a pound auction at the February District Council meeting. The March District Council meeting is scheduled for March 17, 2017 at the Santa Monica Bay Woman's Club which will feature the Art and Photography contest. There will also be a birthday celebration for the 61st anniversary of the Marina District. Mark your calendars for the Marina District Convention which will be at the Doubletree Hotel in Torrance on April 22, 2017 where it is suggested our attendees wear red. The State Convention is scheduled for

May 18 – 21 in Costa Mesa. The National Convention will be held in Palm Desert, CA on June 23 – 26, 2017. This provides an opportunity for members to be able to attend these conventions without having to incur large travel costs.

2nd Vice President, Membership, Sharon Saffer was absent and **Claudeen Lyon** introduced two new members – **Francis Hunter and Rhonda Johnson**. **Claudeene** acknowledged the March birthdays.

3rd Vice President Roberta Smith announced there are several repairs in the clubhouse that are being addressed.

Corresponding Secretary Susan Warner announced she received thank you notes from several charities – Breast Cancer Research, The Braille Institute and Torrance High School and read a very special letter from the Bob Hope USO thanking us for the \$2600 donated to them (from our fall fundraiser.)

Ways & Means Chairman, June Baker called for reports from her various Chairpersons – beginning with **Annette Degner** who thanked everyone who brought donations for the Country Store along with the members who made purchases.

Connie Vassie announced the Fashion Show sold out 2 weeks ago and requested that if anyone with a ticket were to find out they cannot attend that **Sharon Broadbent** be advised of such as she is working off a waiting list. The basket assembly will take place following the Board Meeting on the 29th of March.

Lisa Marie Silver has scheduled a restaurant outing on March 21st at the Lazy Dog restaurant.

Irma and **June** are working on a plant sale for the April meeting.

Reports – Helping Hands – Bette Herbst announced the winners of the Craft Contest entries where TWC was well represented. **Bette** reported that 17 ladies attended the last Helping Hands meeting to complete 60 pairs of shoe tops which adds up to a grand total of 110 tops have been completed.

Joan Earhart reported she has 272 bras for the Domestic Violence chairman.

President Anita thanked everyone for coming and thanked the past presidents for their roles in making certain the tradition of excellence prevails in the Torrance Woman's Club.

Attendance today is 78 members and 2 guests.

The Torrance Woman's Club is entitled to six voting delegates for the District Convention in April. The following will attend the convention in this role: **Joy Marcon, Lois Koza, June Baker, Sharon Broadbent, Hildegard Graeber** and **Bernice Rose**. **Madonna Davenport** and **GiGi Mansfield** will act as alternates.

The meeting was recessed for a social hour and lunch at 12:30 and reconvened at 1:20 for the program which was a presentation on Dolly Madison put together by **Kathleen Davis and Lynn Robinson**.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:20 p.m. to April 5, 2017 at 11:00 a.m.

Deanna Hanson, Recording Secretary