

HEALDSBURG AAUW FUND MEETING

October 19, 2015

Healdsburg Junior High School

PRESENT: Ronnie Devitt, Janet Hoehn, Winky Merrill, Lynda Guthrie, Andi Michelsen, Violet Nelson, Deana Fusco, Michele St. Clair, Sue Campbell

The AAUW Fund meeting was called to order at 4:02 pm. The minutes of the September 21, 2015 meeting were approved. Winky moved to approve and Sue seconded.

Treasurer's report: Winky reviewed the Fund Budget Report and Treasurer's Report. Also gave an update on sales for Oliver Ranch on 10/25. To date, we have 44 sign-ups with 49 maximum for the bus. Cost for bus will be \$500, plus tip and water for attendees. We will give two scholarships to the high school for one teacher and one female student. We should net around \$3,750 from this event.

Fundraising: Enrollees in the two Fall Forum sessions total 261. Gross income to date is \$23,490; net income will be \$7198.

Tech Trek Fundraising: Two check totaling \$1,350 have been received to date. In addition, the noon Rotary club will sponsor one girl. Seven requests are in process.

Escrip: Sign up instructions should soon be available for our membership.

Homes Tour: At least two homes are confirmed. The raffle sales from last Homes Tour was down considerably from previous years. The current Committee has suggested that rather than soliciting for several prizes that perhaps we should have one "large" prize, e.g., a weekend spa package. Unless someone steps forward with such a donation, the Board decided that that we could forgo the Homes Tour raffle because of the increase in income from the Forum. We need to broaden our advertisers for the Homes Tour; Andi and Ronnie will contact some potential advertisers for the Homes Tour. Sue suggested that the raffle donors from prior years might be contacted to be advertisers instead.

Donations: A letter encouraging direct donations will be sent to our membership (and mailing list?) soon.

Proposal for managing donations to the Healdsburg AAUW Fund:

Janet to send out acknowledgement letter to donors ASAP after donation received. Names will be added to website on a monthly basis and will remain on for one year. Donations in memory of someone should specify both donor and the name of one in memoriam. Donors to AAUW National will also be recognized on our website. When soliciting donations, we will suggest donor categories but will not delineate when listing on the website.

Fund Scholarships and Grants Report: Andi requested we increase our allocation from \$2500 to \$4000 for PSST. Violet moved to do so and Sue seconded. Board agreed to donate \$750 for bus to Cal Science fair. The Lego Mindstorm kits have arrived at the Junior High, but we haven't finalized the amount of our contribution since we are still waiting to hear from Rotary regarding their contribution. Andi has had discussion with Jane Snibbe with Cloverdale Adds Resources for Education (C.A.R.E.) regarding our support. Andi moved and Janet seconded to donate \$2,000 when C.A.R.E comes back with a specific project. Discussion about whether the high school scholarships should be extended to Cloverdale, Geyserville and Windsor as well as Healdsburg. Janet moved and Andi seconded that we should increase our scholarships from four to six scholarships (\$3,000 each) and they will be awarded to the most qualified applicants from any of the four high schools.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Violet Nelson, Secretary