

HEALDSBURG AAUW FUND MEETING

November 21, 2016

Healdsburg Junior High School

315 Grant St.

PRESENT: Ronnie Devitt, Violet Nelson, Linda Clark, Michele St. Clair, Sue Campbell, Andi Michelsen, Nancy Haiston, Janet Hoehn

The AAUW Fund meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm. The minutes of the October 17, 2016 meeting were approved. Sue moved to approve and Linda seconded.

Treasurer's report: (see Treasurer's written report)

Fundraising report: (Need to update)

Forum: Net income is almost \$14,000 compared to last year's net of \$7,198. Publicity for the Winter Sessions beginning in January has begun.

Tech Trek: Tech Trek is now fully funded.

Homes Tour: The Committee is hard at work under the leadership of Kim and Carlene.

- Five homes had been secured with firm owner commitments with another two strong options in the pipeline.
- Raffle: Farmhouse Inn has agreed to donate an overnight stay and spa treatments for two. Committee is discussing raffle ticket sales options and will make the final decision in January.
- Sponsorships/Advertisers: Bella is "super excited" about participating again as the Premiere wine sponsor. Big John's sponsorship has been confirmed. Andrea Walcott has requested help from the Board to solicit advertisers. Janet distributed a list of potential advertisers and asked Board members to make some contacts. She also has solicitation packets for those who wish to help.

Donations: A letter encouraging direct donations has been sent to our membership. To date we have received \$1,278.90 donations. An article encouraging direct donations will appear in the December *Grapevine*.

Scholarships and Grants:

All high school scholarships have been processed.

SRJC scholarships were awarded in the Spring. Joyce Scramaglia, Mickey Sarquis and Andi Michelsen have been invited to the annual SRJC Foundation Donor appreciation event Dec. 7.

We have received a request from PSST for \$3,000. Last year gave them \$4,000, with the proviso that this was higher than our normal amount of \$2500 in previous years, with no guarantee for future years. Sue moved that we grant \$3,000 to PSST, Linda seconded and the Board approved.

One high school scholarship selectee had been chosen for a \$3,000 scholarship and has to delay further her education due to a reoccurrence of cancer. The Board decided to defer the award for a year, providing she still qualifies for next year. Andi to send her a letter to confirm the decision.

Preschool—Charlene Luks and Barbara Epstein have done extensive research, interviewing all directors of preschools in Windsor and Healdsburg, including the director of HUSD preschool. There may be an opportunity later in the year to do something in partnership with the school district, but we are months off.

Proposal for Healdsburg Museum Internship:

The Museum has always been the headquarters for the Homes tour and its volunteer receptionists have sold tour tickets prior to the tour. Additionally, in the last few years the Museum has also allowed us to hold the After Party at the Museum without charge.

In light of the generosity of the Museum, Ronnie proposed that a fair solution would be for the Healdsburg AAUW Fund to annually provide funding for an “AAUW Healdsburg Museum Internship” for an undergraduate or graduate woman interested in museum management or historic preservation. After Board discussion, it was decided to issue a \$1000 grant for an intern as indicated above. It would be paid out of our next fiscal year budget and submitted to be approved in subsequent years.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:34 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Violet Nelson, Secretary
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