

HEALDSBURG AAUW FUND MEETING

May 16, 2016

Healdsburg Junior High School

PRESENT: Andi Michelsen, Deana Fusco, Heidi Blumenthal, Janet Hoehn, Judy Edmonds, Linda Clark, Lynda Guthrie, Michele St. Clair, Ronnie Devitt, Violet Nelson, Winky Merrill

The AAUW Fund meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm. The minutes of the April 18, 2016 meeting were approved. Michele moved to approve and Janet seconded.

Treasurer's report: Winky reviewed the Fund Budget Report and Treasurer's Report. No changes to be made at this time.

Fund Highlights: We have had a fantastic year of fundraising! we have raised enough to cover next year's projected budget - plus we have approximately \$18-19K in surplus. The Homes Tour raised \$44,107 after expenses (compared to \$36,541 last year) and the Forum \$23,954 (compared to \$28,256 last year) .

Winky recommended that we use some of this surplus now to:

- 1) Fund an additional \$4,000 SRJC scholarship
- 2) Follow through on the \$2,200 commitment we made earlier this year to Cloverdale Education Foundation as recommended by Andi (particularly since we are discontinuing the Career Choices program there)
- 3) Give \$3,000 to fund three girls to attend the Boys & Girls Club summer camp as we did last year.

This will still leave us with a surplus for next year of close to \$10,000, some of which could be earmarked to address the local pre-school/childcare issue that is a stated priority for us. We will discuss further at our annual retreat.

Fundraising report:

Forum: Forum offered five courses in the academic year 2015-16. 708 students enrolled in these with a net income of approximately \$24,000.

Five courses are planned for the 2016-17 academic year. The two Fall courses will be focused on the presidential elections past and present. Chris O'Sullivan all teach "A History of Presidential Elections". Professors David McCuan and David Peritz will teach a course on "2016: The Mother of All Elections — A Closeup Look at the Dynamics of the Presidential Election". The two Winter courses will be "A History of Jazz" taught by Professor Len Lyons and "The Ebb and Flow of Civilizations" taught by Professor Tyra

Benoit. The Spring 2017 course will be “The History of Sonoma County” taught by Chris O’Sullivan.

Homes Tour: Was a huge success. Ticket sales totaled \$28,255 (785 tickets) , raffle sales of \$3,837, sponsors/advertisers of \$15,850 and donations of \$2,005. The total income raised (\$49,256.36) was the best ever.

Fund Scholarships and Grants Report:

A total of six \$3,000 scholarships were/will be awarded. Two scholarships were awarded to Windsor HS students on April 21. A third girl from Windsor had a change of plans and decided to attend SRJC. As a result, Andi selected one of the Cloverdale applicants to receive this scholarship. Healdsburg scholarships (3 of them) will be presented May 23 and Cloverdale May 25. Kay Koehler to present the \$5,000 scholarship (from the Al Garrin Fund) at the Healdsburg ceremony.

SRJC scholarship interviews (13) were conducted on May 6. The subcommittee had requested one additional scholarship (additional \$4,000) because they had 7 (rather than 6) applicants who are equally outstanding. The Board voted to award the additional \$4,000 after reviewing the Fund year-end budget.

Mickey Sarquis is working with Joyce Scramaglia to transition SRJC scholarship responsibility from Joyce to Mickey. The Board discussed how to recognize the outgoing committee members and decided to recognize them specifically by name at the Installation Luncheon. Will also recognize the efforts of the Homes Tour and Forum committee members (though not individually) as well.

The Board agreed to fund the Boys and Girls Club Summer Program Scholarships at the same level as last year, i.e., 3 (\$1,000) scholarships to be distributed to girls in any of the four school districts that we support. Violet made the motion and Heidi seconded.

The Board also agreed to fund the Cloverdale Education Foundation for a request for \$2,200 to support a classroom science unit, incorporating science learning, art and performance. Judy moved and Linda seconded.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Violet Nelson, Secretary
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