



Palm Springs (CA) Branch February 9, 2021

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Board Meeting minutes

Present: Cher Kolesar, Sharon Hubbard, Janet Braslow, Sharron Cantarini, Gillian German, Sharrell Blakeley, Shelley Mitchell, Laura Eaton, Phyllis Dunn, Susan Rosenberg, Gail Aune, Marsha Riley

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action	Follow up
Minutes of the January meeting		Cher moved and Marsha seconded that the minutes of the January meeting be approved as written. Unanimously passed	
President's report	Sharrell introduced Gail Aune as the new TT co-chair.		
	We will vote on officers, budget and bylaws changes at our April meeting. Information will be posted in March newsletter. Install new officers in May		
Coming year calendar	The board agreed by consensus to have no meetings (branch or board) in June, July. We will have a branch planning retreat in August. No newsletters this summer.		
NCWSLC	Two years ago we sent two girls. Marsha paid. Should we send girls this year or wait until next year? Decided to wait until next year. In the committee, agreed that this was a good way to increase our profile.	Shelley moved that we allocate \$125 to send Cher. Motion passed	

	Cher is going to attend to see what they do.		
National AAUW	Cher and Sharrell attended the Julia Brown town hall on degree vs. non degree. They were both impressed. It's the right thing to do! Comment until the end of April. This is the 4 th time we have voted on this. The board discussed having a statement on this	Decided to publish the answers to questions from the session in newsletter.	
Tech Trek	Janet reported that we have asked for 13 spots. Only two from last year's group have accepted. Janet doesn't think we need more. We have money for 8. Not asking for more that this time. Have to get electronic agreement signed from all. Might take some time.		
	Are working on volunteer positions. Recruiting for TT from previous years. Looking for members to be social/tech coaches. Like dorm moms but less commitment. Will be open until filled.		
	Will next start contact alumni to see if they want to apply for a paid position. Are challenged by contacting alumni. They move around a lot.		Send annual update letter with incentives. Remind them that being a volunteer at camp is a good resume builder and good for college applications.
	We later were able to clarify that only Gail and Janet need to complete the electronic MOU as the committee is not interviewing new students this spring		
	TT in our account is 711.91. We still have it in our branch checking account		

	Members made donations in honor of the three people who started TT in our branch.		
Fundraising	This year we sent the highest amount ever to National for the AAUW Fund 33% increase.		
Next Saturday	Peggy will talk about raising funds for AAUW and Sharon and Janet will talk about TT fundraising		Shelley will send out a blast with the registration link. Remind members that 12:30 is social and 12:45 is program
	Phyllis—don't need to do anything on the financial statements yet. SPF fund confirmed.		
Financial	Gillian shared the worksheet for the 2021/22 budget. Don't print a new directory, conference funds moved to next year		Publish the proposed budget in newsletter.
Interest groups	Marsha reported that there is good participation and things seem to be working		
Membership	Sharron is checking the mailbox. We might have a new member. Newsletter spotlight is on Steve this month. He is our only male member		
Program	March: Cathy Foxhoven—Laura contacted her. She also mentioned that she is involved in doing a performance with other people. Performance about Eleanor Roosevelt. Will do it for online branch. Zoom play. Should we invite our branch?		
	April: speaker on Indio program that allows people to work off fines, etc. Until they pay their fines off, offenders cannot vote. Rescue mission is a part of it. Speakers are excellent. Legal end vs. having the program work.		
	May: Katie Stice: President and CEO of RM Chamber of commerce. Not sure what she will speak on yet.		

adjourn	The meeting was adjourned at 11:51		