**University of Minnesota Women’s Club--Board Meeting Minutes**

February 13, 2024-- Midland Hills Country Club—10:00 am

Attendees:

**Directors:** Barbara Burleigh; Linda Boss; Carol Cantrell; Barbara Cohen; Marilyn Delong; Sandy Gale; Nancy Kluver; Linda Lorenz; Joni Mitchell; Nancy Myers; Mary Nosek; Marilyn Olson, Nancy Schuster.

**Section Chairs:** Patti Cohen, Rolaine Wright.

**Member Guests:**  Ann Soltis, June Damrow, Judy Cox.

**Meeting Called to order** at 10:00 am by Linda Boss, President.

**Establishment of Quorum:** Quorum established.

**Approval of Minutes:** The Minutes of the November 14, 2023 Board Meeting were distributed to all Board Members prior to today’s meeting. Nancy Kluver made a motion to approved the Minutes, seconded by Linda Lorenz. Motion passed.

**Reports of Elected Officers**

President—Linda Boss announced that she had appointed Nancy Schuster to serve as Chair of the Nominating Committee. She then called attention to a recent University of Minnesota announcement that certain University retirees and alumnae would lose their University email accounts before the end of the year. She cautioned Members with umn.edu email addresses to get a new email address before June 1 in order for the new e-address to be reflected in the 2024-25 Directory. New e-addresses should be sent to Nancy Myers, Records and Dues Officer. Linda also reported on matters related to Printing Services and Website services. (See attached)

President Elect—Nancy Schuster reported enjoying meetings with Interest Sections. (See attached)

Co-Vice Presidents for Event Coordinating---Carol Cantrell and Linda Lorenz announced the speaker for the April meeting is J. Hamilton from Fresh Energy.

Scholarship Fundraising—Diane Young reported we have raised $75,000 for scholarships since July 1, 2023.

Recording Secretary—Marilyn DeLong reported that the procedure to compile reports to send with the minutes and agenda will continue but comments about the transition are welcome.

Co-treasurer (Operations Account)---Joni Mitchell distributed the financial report to Directors. (See report attached). She pointed out that more new members than expected have joined the Club thus exceeding our dues budget and showing a positive net income for the year. Sandy Gale made a motion to approve the financial report as distributed, seconded by Marilyn Olson.

Co-treasurer (Scholarship Account)---Joni Mitchell reported a current balance of $78,02 in the account. (See report attached). Joni Mitchell made a motion to approve the Scholarship Account report, seconded by Nancy Myers.

Records and Dues Officer---Nancy Myers reported that we have 295 active members including 36 new members. (See report attached).

**Reports of Appointed Officers**

Newsletter Editor---Nancy Kluver reported the deadline for the March-April issue is February 16.

Directory Editor---Dorothy Walz sent her report (see report attached).

Website Liaison---Mary Nosek reported that online registration for Luncheons is running well. We had 33 members register online for today’s luncheon.

Correspondence Secretary---Barb Burleigh reported sending condolences from the Club to a Member whose husband recently passed.

Historian---Sandy Gale reported on her plan for organizing the archives. (See report attached).

Membership Co-Chairs---Georgia Heisserer and Susan Hopp reported on the success of the new members’ coffees and the Committee’s efforts to encourage new members’ active involvement. (See report attached).

Scholarship Awards Chair---Marilyn Olson reported the Committee was getting ready for the scholarship selection process. (See report attached).

Nominating Committee Chair---Nancy Schuster reported that members of the nominating committee have been named and are actively involved in creating a slate for next year.

**Section Reports**

 “Over 80s and Others”---Rolaine Wright announced the group would meet February 22 at Becketwood dining room at 1:30 pm. There will be no agenda—but a get together to determine the level of interest. She encouraged members to come.

**Old Business---None**

**New Business**

Scholarship Award Proposal---Marilyn Olson made a motion to increase the amount of all UMWC scholarships including One Year Named Scholarships from $4000 to $5000 beginning with scholarships awarded in 2025-26 fiscal year. Discussion followed that included asking the Scholarship Awards Chair to bring back information concerning: 1) How one year named scholarship donors reacted to the prospect of the increase; 2) Ideas on how to encourage more members to donate and 3) How the increased scholarship amount would compare with other U of MN scholarships. The Motion was tabled to allow time to get the additional information.

**Adjournment---**Motion to adjourn was made by Joni Mitchell and seconded by Linda Lorenz. Motion passed.