

**First United Methodist Church of Santa Rosa**

**United Methodist Women**

**October 8th, 2019 - Executive Board Meeting**

Meeting called to order at about 9:35 am by Diane Jackson after updates on our shut-ins and others. We all read the Purpose of UMW.

**Members present:** Diane Jackson, Mere Ponijiasi, Dian Jorgensen, Claudia Ward, Peg Ferrel, Jane Hollar, Barbara Wofford, Pat Sanborn Pavliger, Carol Lindstadt, and Charlene Simons.

**Minutes of September meeting:** Claudia moved; Jane seconded; Minutes were approved.

**Communications:** No communications and still no Response magazines. Peg & Diane will be looking into if the *Response* arrived and if, then where they might have been placed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Peg had prepared copies of the financial report for September 2019 and had these available. Peg reviewed the updates shown in the report:

- The Member Pledges Income of \$47 came in.
  - The Miscel. Mission Income of \$185 was from Ruth Circle for their special mission.
  - The World Thank Offering Income of \$8.17 was from 2 circles: \$6.21 came in from Mary's Friendship Circle, and \$1.96 was from Naomi Circle.
- TOTAL Income was \$240.17
- The Assembly Fund Expense of \$500 was transferred to our Assembly Fund to save up for the next UMW Assembly meeting.
  - The Conference Pledge Expense of \$4,125 was our balance of our pledge to the Conference UMW.
  - The Lunch, Dinner, Reception Expense of \$136.49 was for the Women's Retreat supplies: \$19.62 for tablecloths, and \$116.87 for art supplies.
  - The Miscel. Mission Expense of \$185 went to VIM from Ruth Circle.
  - The Miscel/Contingency Expense of \$96 was for the renewal of the 4 subscriptions of the *Response* magazine for 4 of the circles.
  - The Snowflake Bazaar Expense of \$43.04 paid for more blank tea towels.
  - The Special Memberships Expense of \$120 was for our 3 Special Memberships that we will be presenting in January 2020.

TOTAL Expense was \$5,205.53

Therefore the TOTAL Net Income was a negative \$4,965.36.

- **The Total Assets** at the end of September were \$1,308.51
- The report was approved unanimously.
- Peg noted that we had anticipated the January 2019 UMW meeting that we were to host to bring in extra money for us. This meeting was cancelled due to the death of the UMW District President, and so we did not make money from hosting this event.
- Diane reported that the amount of \$136.49 requested by the Women's Retreat planning committee was more than expected. Apparently there was a miscommunication and we realize

we need to be more explicit next time. Diane's lunch expenses were \$151.35 in addition to the \$136.49 and the childcare expense could be in addition too. We discussed the 2 remaining funds from the past Women's Retreats: the WIF Fund & the WIF Scholarship Fund. There is still some money there that could be used to cover this retreat's expenses.

### **Old Business :**

- **Women's Retreat** - October 5, 2019 - for all women of the church & lead by Pastor Lori, went very well. We appreciated that it was free to attend and in hind-sight, we realize that a love offering/basket would have been appropriate at the retreat. We discussed possible ways to do the lunch next time: provided, bring one's own, or part potluck. We agreed that we the UMW would be open to sponsoring the Women's Retreat again, especially since the old WIF committee had shrunk.

### **New Business :**

#### • **Upcoming Dates:**

- UMW Conference Annual Meeting - October 19, 8:00 am - 3:30 pm. At Merced UMC. Diane had brochures for us. Keynote speaker: Rev. Debra Brady, Central Valley D.S.
- Cookie Bake - November 9, 1:00 pm at Montgomery Campus. Cookie Bake provides volume and Circles provide variety.
- Snowflake Bazaar - November 16, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm, at Montgomery Campus.
- Christmas Potluck - December 10, 12 noon - 2:00 pm, at Montgomery Campus. Same as usual.
- **Sunshine Cards** - Pat Sanborn had cards for us to sign for those on the Sunshine List. We discussed if we should add to our list from Sunday's Caring Corner. This would increase our cost in cards & postage. Donated cards would reduce that cost. We agreed to personally signing the cards and to including the Sunshine List of names in our Minutes. This month's list will be included in next meeting's Minutes.
- **Snowflake Bazaar** - Saturday, November 16th, 9am - 2pm, in Fields Fellowship Hall. Peg Ferrel & Diane Jackson are the chairpersons & they reported:
  - Concern that 1 of the pulleys on the church wall is missing. We just bought these last year and already pulley hardware is missing.
  - Peg will get out the banners today for Claudia to update.
  - Diane reports that our ad has been submitted to the Press Democrat for the Holiday Section and as another ad.
  - Peg reports that we need to borrow extra card tables.
  - Mere P. reports that the FLM will sell take-out meals.
  - Jane reports that Anna Circle does not have much to donate but can be cashiers.
  - The Youth Group plans to sell items.
  - Paula Peterson will not sell items this year, but Karen Girard plans to sell bulb plants.

- There are some nice collectables left over from Angels' Attic and Scott Medina will be there to sell those items.
- Completed tea towels are coming in. We have some prolific embroiderers!
- On the Thursday before, UMW gets the Fields Hall to set up tables.
- On the Friday starting at 9 am, we set up the booths and decorate and stock items.
- Saturday morning we need someone to place signs outside and we need a door monitor.
- Sunday morning we need volunteers to help sell items on the stage.
- After Sunday, the leftovers go to Mere P.'s garage.
- We need volunteers to clean-up & vacuum on Saturday after event, and kitchen clean-up too. Doors close at 2:00 pm.
- Peg will have a Square reader for any credit card purchases.
- Diane had posters/flyers for us to take & share, as well as Cookie Bake posters/flyers.
- Ruth Circle will be providing their usual baked potato lunch for \$10 per ticket.
- Pie and coffee/tea will be sold also.
- Each circle to bring in 12 dozen cookies and 5 pies.
- Think about and ask for volunteers at the Circle meetings.
- **Nominations** - Start thinking of officers for next year. Share ideas with Mere P. There are several openings. This was brought up at the Women's Retreat.

### **Officer Reports**

- **Vice President/Program Chair** - Mere Ponijiasi - No additional report.
- **Treasurer** - Peg Ferrel - No additional report. Left early after Snowflake Bazaar report.
- **Membership, Nurture, Sunshine & Outreach** - Pat Sanborn Pavliger & Mere Nabou - Pat had several cards for us to sign for people on the current Sunshine List. Those names will be included in next month's Minutes.
- **Program Resources** - Judy Finley & Lucinda Brashares - No report except that we have books in the library for the Reading Program. Read!
- **Publicity** - Check out the bulletin board. Diane has updated the boards.
- **Spiritual Growth** - open - No report.
- **Social Concerns** - Barbara Wofford - Barbara shared her thinking about clothing and will it last or not. Is clothing disposable?
- **Mission Education/Interpretation** - open - No report.
- **Nomination Committee** - Diane Jackson - No additional report.

- **Snowflake Bazaar** - Peg & Diane - No additional report.

### **Circle Chairpersons:**

- **Anna** - Jane Hollar - In Sept. Marsha Dupre shared about a trip to Andalucia Spain; next week Mary Ellen Heising will share about Nepal.
- **Mary's Friendship** - Carol Lindstadt - They did not meet at Lena's house for her 100th birthday due to her being ill, so they will try to celebrate her birthday in October. They have met at Paulin Creek retirement home and will plan to invite the other UMW women that live there when they meet there again.
- **Naomi** - Dian Jorgensen - They have a new meeting place: the William's Parlor. At their October meeting they are working on items to sell at the Bazaar.
- **Ruth** - Claudia Ward - Next week they will meet at Marty Wait's brand new house and have a speaker from the Living Room.
- **Fijian Language Ministry** - Seni Momoka - Mere P. reported that they are still meeting and are preparing for the Fiji Day celebration: Thursday eve here; Friday at the Fair grounds at 1pm; Saturday ... ; and then Sunday worship here.

### **Other Business:**

Note the new address of Lolly Wycoff: Windchime of Chico, 855 Bruce Road, #201, Chico CA 95928.

Note that F.I.S.H. is moving to the old Bill's Lawnmower's Shop location on Sebastopol Road.

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 am after a closing prayer by Diane.

Next board meeting: November 12th, 2019, at 9:30 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlene Simons, Secretary