Oriental Woman's Club General Meeting Minutes Sept. 5, 2023

1:00 PM Ellen called the meeting to order. She reminded all present to turn off cell phones. Ellen welcomed our speakers, Antoinette Boskey ad Karen Birk as well as guest Susan Van Meter.

Miss Fay Bond led the Pledge of Allegiance to the US Flag.

Linda Parker offered words of encouragement which was centered around making the very best of our time.

Ellen introduced Antoinette Boskey as our speaker for today's meeting. Antoinette is the District 3B Director of the Guardian Ad Litem as well as a leader with Habitat for Humanity. Antoinette explained the Guardian Ad Litem program and gave several statistics on the number of children needing help in Carteret, Craven and Pamlico Counties. Of 247 children involved, 79 do not have a guardian ad Litem volunteer assigned. In Pamlico County, there are zero (0) volunteers for the program. Another part of the program is GAL Friends who was represented by Karen Birk.

### General Meeting:

<u>Minutes</u> of the previous General Meeting have been read by three members, approved and accepted for file. They are posted in the back of the room. The three volunteers to proofread today's minutes are: Jody Riddle, Linda Parker, and Sharon Gilbert.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: The treasurer's report for the previous month was submitted and accepted at the last EC meeting and is posted on the bulletin board.

<u>Membership:</u> Ann Stackhouse, gave the membership report, as well as noting birthdays for July, August and September.

## **Program Reports:**

Arts and Education: No report.

<u>Garden Club</u>: Joyce DePasquale announced that our next road clean-up would be Sept. 27th.

LON: Our next Luminary launch will take place in June 2024

Home Life: N/A

#### Old Business:

N/A

#### **New Business:**

The Nominating Committee needed to be formed... Sharon Morgan will lead (from the board), as well as Sara Daugherty and Elizabeth Buckman. Ellen asked that any interested members please speak to her following the meeting.

# Announcements:

Thanks to September General Meeting, Sept. 5, 2023, hostesses are Sharon Gilbert, Deborah Powers, and Irma Bond.

September 29 will be Fay Bond's 100<sup>th</sup> B-day. There will be a parade from Ms. Fay's home to Lou Mac Park and then a block party. Food will be supplied by Paws & Oriental Rotary. The OWC will bring cakes and other sweets that are packaged in sizes that would be selling for \$1.00...

The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by

Sharon Morgan (GM) and Jody Riddle (EC)