

Oriental Woman's Club
Executive Committee Meeting
August 29, 2023

A quorum was present.

The meeting was called to order by Julie Wiegand, Co-President and Ellen Blackmon, Co-President. Also present: Deborah Powers, Treasurer; Jean Chastang, Assistant Treasurer; Sallie Farrell, Maintenance; Gay Webster, Home Life; Linda Caroon, Co-chair Cemetery; Jen Walsh, Co-chair cemetery; Maryellen Bickel, co-chair Arts and Education; Carol Young, Co-chair Arts and Education; Sharon Morgan; Co Secretary; Joyce DiPasquale, Co-chair of the Garden Club; and Jody Riddle, Co-Secretary.

Review meeting etiquette: 1. Please turn off your phone; 2. Be kind, respectful, and thoughtful when speaking and listening; 3. The "goal" of our secretary is to have the draft EC meeting minutes to the volunteer proofers to be read and reviewed within 24 hours of meeting so that the final minutes can be promptly sent to EC members and posted on the website.

Elsie Roane has resigned as the Chair of the Arts and Education committees. Welcome to Maryellen and Carol to the Arts and Education committees as new co-chairs.

Elsie Roane has also "retired" her position providing our General Meeting with inspirational readings.

The minutes of the previous EC meeting have been read, approved, and filed.

Golf Tournament report: Assistant-Treasurer Jean Chastang presented the Golf Tournament report. Sponsorships continue to arrive. Currently we are at \$3,600.00 in sponsorships. Bottom line as of today is a profit of \$4,670.10 with another \$100.00 in sponsorship expected. The BBQ served at lunch was donated by a wonderful gentleman from Oriental.

Correspondence: Thank you notes have been received from a recipient of the Inez Hargrove scholarship, a Girls on the Run recipient, and from YNTO for our contribution, and a request for funds from Caswell Center to support "Operation Santa Clause" which does not meet our mission.

Unfinished Business:

Shrubbery removal in the parking area: After discussion it was decided that the OWC will continue heavy trimming as and when needed.

New Business:

1. Appoint Nominating Committee Chairperson: Julie Wiegand asked the EC for a volunteer. Anyone interested is to respond to Julie within 24 hours.
2. Appoint Financial Management Committee for new budget: Julie Wiegand discussed the 2024 fiscal year budget. The treasurer, co-treasurer, and president make up this committee.

3. Ol' Front Porch participation: Ellen Blackmon noted that we have been invited to participate in the food court area for the Old Front Porch Music Festival. We will need volunteers to make sweet treats and help from 11:30 – 6:00.

4. Miss Fay's Birthday celebration: Julie Wiegand noted that Ms. Irma Fay Bond will present the ideas for Ms. Fay's birthday celebration on September 29, 2023. Sandra Morgan made a motion to waive the rental fees for the OWC club. Jody Riddle made the second. The motion was unanimously approved.

REPORTS FROM PROGRAM CHAIRS & ACTIVITIES MANAGERS

- Arts: Maryellen Bickel and Carol Young, co-chairs of the committee spoke of the Arts Festival and other upcoming events.
- Education:
- Garden Club: Joyce DiPasquale shared the next road clean-up is scheduled for September 27th at 10:30. Stencil flower pots and macrame' are the upcoming projects.
- Home Life: Gay Webster spoke of the purchasing of gifts for the Christmas family. A discussion took place regarding the budgeting for this project. A suggestion was made to invite the membership with the opportunity to contribute in addition to the funds already in the budget.
- Ladies of the Neuse: Marguerite Garrett submitted her report. She has asked to resign at the end of the year. A discussion took place regarding the evening timing of the meeting. It was discussed of holding the meeting of this committee after the General Meeting.
- Building Maintenance: Thank you to Julie and Bob for all of their hard work.
 1. Front porch benched repainted-Done
 2. Front door touch up paint-Done
 3. Past Presidents pictures-Done

Add the watering of plants to the Monday girls chore list

- Cemetery Manager: Linda Caroon reported that in August \$225.00 was received.
- Fundraising Manager:
- Hostess Manager: Gay Webster suggested to utilize the round tables for our general meetings.
- Membership: Ann Stackhouse is stepping down at the end of the year.
- Newsletter Editor: Jean Chastang needs the newsletter submissions no later than Thursday afternoon after the EC meeting.
- Property Rental Manager:
- Publicity Manager: Reminder that Town Dock must be contacted in advance if we want pics taken at our Events. Email: info@towndock.net
- Scholarship Manager:
- Website Manager:
- Yearbook Editor:

Announcements:

Adjourn

Respectfully submitted by Sharon Morgan and Jody Riddle