Oriental Woman's Club General Meeting Minutes December 4, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Suzanne Jantzen at the clubhouse at 11:56 am. Officers present included Treasurer Theda Butkus and Secretary Ann Stackhouse. President Elizabeth MacDonald continues to recover from her recent injury, and Suzanne graciously stepped into her shoes to preside over the Holiday Luncheon and Installation of New Officers.

An inspirational reading by Lynne Rousseau was titled "Let Us Live Christmas Everyday" (Attachment 1). Fay Bond led the Pledge to the US flag. In her opening remarks, Suzanne thanked everyone attending this luncheon that helps support the Scholarship Fund. She also introduced guest Karen Parker who played Christmas carols on the piano, and special guest Willie Permelia. Cindy Porter introduced eight guests and one new member. Lynne Rousseau offered the blessing for the meal that was catered by Mary Ellen Hamm. During the meal a handout of "What's in Your Pocketbook" (Attachment 2) was distributed. Lynn Kaplan was the winner of this game; the men also received prizes for having no purses and zero items in their possession.

Following lunch, Suzanne thanked all the outgoing 2018 officers and others, and introduced Sally Belangia as the installing officer for the 2019 officers: Treasurer Deborah Powers, Co-Secretaries Anne Parker and Rosalyn Kutchins, Vice President Marlene Miller, and President Gwen Rhodes. Each officer was presented with a necklace denoting her job descriptions. The script read by Sally was put together by Suzanne and was informative as well as entertaining (Attachment 3).

When the gavel was presented to President Gwen Rhodes, she addressed the members and guests. Gwen thanked the membership for entrusting the leadership of OWC to her. She also acknowledged past president Elizabeth MacDonald with an orchid and appreciation card for her leadership during 2018 to be delivered to her. Gwen has been busy meeting with the club's officers, chairs, and activity leaders, and is looking forward to the start of the new year. She will be holding a New Members Orientation Tea in her home each month the club gains a new member.

Suzanne recognized today's hostesses Rosalyn Kutchins, Gail and Gay Rodosevich, Karen VanGamper, and Terrell Scott, as well as the caterer, members who donated the wine, and the Education Program for organizing the luncheon. She had Fay Bond announce the check received into the Cemetery Fund for \$2,687 from the Witches' Crawl held in October to raise money for the upkeep and repairs to the cemetery. Thanks to Sally Belangia and Jeanie Robins for organizing this event. As there were no further announcements, Carol McAdoo read a Christmas poem (Attachment 4), and everyone joined hands to sing "We Wish you a Merry Christmas."

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:16 pm.

Irma Bond won the Meal of the Month. Lee Duer announced the club sold 220 tickets. The Poinsettia door prize was won by Rosalyn Kutchins.

Submitted by Ann Stackhouse, Secretary

Read and approved with corrections by Cindy Porter, Kathy Kolan, and Suzanne Jantzen