

**Oriental Woman's Club  
General Meeting Minutes  
September 4, 2018**

The meeting was called to order by President Elizabeth MacDonald at the clubhouse at 1:23 pm. Other officers present included Vice President Marlene Miller, Treasurer Theda Butkus and Secretary Ann Stackhouse.

Lynne Rousseau provided an inspirational reading entitled "Self-Respect."

The approved minutes of the June general meeting, August executive committee meeting, and the Treasurer's reports were posted on the bulletin board.

Gwen Rhodes introduced four visitors.

President MacDonald thanked the hostesses who serve on the education program.

President MacDonald spoke on the leadership of the club and had each officer briefly describe her job. She elaborated on the reasons why she and the Vice President recommend the team approach. MacDonald encouraged everyone to think about who they would like to see serve in each of the four offices, and had them write their choices on the straw ballot.

President MacDonald announced that Debbie Montgomery, an executive committee member, was elected by the executive committee to serve as chairman of the nominating committee. Suzanne Jantzen nominated Jennifer Walsh and Jean Chastang nominated Deborah Powers to serve on this committee. As there were no other nominations from the floor, the President called for a vote and everyone present was in favor. Debbie Montgomery explained that in order to identify prospective officers the committee would use but would not be limited to the straw ballot. The slate of officers will be submitted in October, presented to membership in November, and installed at the December general meeting.

Vice President Marlene Miller introduced Pat Sordill, a new member with professional experience in group problem solving. At the October general meeting Sordill will use responses to an email questionnaire that relates to improving experiences in the club and ways to help members gain the skills necessary for taking on leadership roles within the club.

Members Michele Musella and Lee Duer provided the education program. Musella spoke on an ancient Indian system of preventive medicine known as Ayurveda. She distributed information to instruct members on health and dietary issues pertaining to each of the three Doshas. Duer and her three volunteers demonstrated yoga poses that were compatible with the Doshas and demonstrated some breathing exercises.

Announcements included the following upcoming events: 5th annual Ol' Front Porch Music Festival on October 5-6; The Old Theater's Friday's Flicks resumes this month; Fine Craft Show and Cookies-by-the-Pound is scheduled for November 3.

Tickets for the raffle for Meal-of-the-Month will be made available to sell next week. Lee Duer stated that if every member sold 5 tickets at \$20 each the club would net \$6,000. The drawing for the winner of home cook meals delivered for two persons every month for the entire year will be held December 4. She is in need of two more volunteers to cook meals.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:10 pm.

The 50/50 raffle drawing was held with Debbie Montgomery winning the purse. She donated her proceeds to the cemetery fund.

Submitted by Ann Stackhouse, Secretary

Read and approved without corrections by Debbie Montgomery, Deborah Powers, and Linda Parker.