

GFWC-SBI General Meeting Minutes
Monday, February 26, 2018

The GFWC-SBI met at Shallotte Presbyterian Church in Shallotte, NC on Monday, February 26, 2018 at 6:00 pm for social time and dinner provided by the Hospitality Committee.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by President Tammy Kesky and noted by Lynne Carr-Wiggins that we had a quorum present. Clubwomen were wearing red in honor of American Heart Month.

Devotion was given by Tori Humphrey and pledges were led by Eileen Brown and Denise Moore.

The January minutes were APPROVED unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report as of January 31, 2018 was present by Beth Elliott. There were no corrections and the report will be placed on file.

Correspondence – Lynne Carr-Wiggins shared that the club had sent a sympathy card to Karmen Smith, a past president of the Shallotte Juniors, for the loss of her grandparents. Thank you notes for donations were received from NBHS Theater Dept., Lower Cape Fear Hospice, Smart Start of Brunswick County, Brunswick Art Council, American Red Cross, BCC Foundation, Shallotte Middle School and the Coastal Garden Club. Tammy did note that some of the donations were from last year.

Request for Donations - The Executive Board brought forth two motions for requests. The first was for \$22.00 from undesignated funds to cover the increase in the storage building. That motion was APPROVED unanimously. Secondly, Chris Angotti had asked that we give \$500.00, from undesignated funds, to the March of Dimes Walk as we did last year. This money went towards the team goal. Chris explained that last year the team raised \$1600.00 and their goal this year was to exceed that. The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

Tori Humphrey asked that the club pay \$25.00, from the marketing budget, towards the Wine Women & Chocolate Event sponsored by the Brunswick County Chamber of Commerce. Tori explained that this has been a good membership recruiting tool for the club and gets our name out in the community. The motion was seconded by Barb Stephens. The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

Tammy made the clubwomen aware of some upcoming GFWC events:

1. State Arts Festival – March 3 in Hickory
2. Shallotte Juniors – March 5 – Wine dinner at Angelo's
3. Wilmington Woman's Club – March 24 – Coastal Living Show – Free
4. GFWC-Holden Beach – April 7 - \$50 – Blooming for a Cause fashion show - Deadline March 29
5. Boys & Girls Home Breakfast – April 19 - \$100 Port City Community Church Wilmington
6. GFWC-NC Annual Convention – April 27-29 in Cary

To increase our visibility in the community, these events were announced:

1. WBHS Reverse Raffle – March 10 – Tickets \$100 each (see Cindy Hewett for tickets)
2. March of Dimes Walk – Myrtle Beach – Saturday, April 21- Pelican Stadium

Committee Reports - Kimmie stated that the Fundraising Committee had met electronically and agreed that the fundraisers for 2018 should remain the same as 2017: Souper Bowl, Juleps & Jazz, Belk Charity Days (for new members), Corks & Forks, and the Holiday Auction.

Eileen Brown with the Sewing Committee gave an update on the projects that they were working on. She noted that they were meeting Monday, March 5 & 19 at 11am at Melon's kitchen if anyone wanted to attend.

Kelly Barefoot gave an update on Scholarship Committee. She informed the club that our Sallie Southall Cotten scholarship winner was Ana Poulin, and we would be hosting a shower for her at the May meeting.

CSP Reports - Kelly Barefoot noted for Education CSP, that you can make a tax-deductible donation to any school in Brunswick County at www.donorschoose.org and Duke Energy is matching the donations.

Tammy asked that CSP Chairwomen think about making a tri-fold display for Juleps & Jazz. She stated that she thought it would help bring awareness to donors about what and who the club helps.

Home Life – Barb Stephens stated that Home Life was looking to help Hope Harbor and maybe collaborate with the sewing committee.

Arts – Cindy Hewett updated the club regarding a request for Jennifer Kuhnmemann for \$100 with \$50 from Arts CSP and \$50 from Education CSP to buy supplies for Supply Elementary students so they can make bowls for next year's Souper Bowl.

Additionally, Tammy informed the club that she had applied for a grant from Brunswick Electric Membership Cooperation to fund a new lending library. If awarded the grant, Education CSP can once again collaborate with Smart Start in their Park Time Reading program.

District Arts Festival - Cindy Hewett gave the clubwomen updates on the District 7 Arts Festival. The event was held in Wilmington on February 10, 2018. Clubwomen were presented ribbons for their entries – Tammy Kesky, 1st place for Short Story and Still Life photography, 3rd place for Scenic photography. Melon Corsini – 1st place for Basket Craft, Basic Embroidery and Metal Craft. Mimi Gaither – 3rd place for Living Things photography. Marie Marshburn for participation in Arts Festival.

Cindy also informed the club that they had a candidate for the Cindy Hewett Teaching Scholarship. Myah Morris was awarded \$500.00 for the local level. Unfortunately, the district requirements for GPA had changed and Myah didn't meet the requirement. However, another entry from Samantha Frink was able to be presented. Samantha won at the District Level and was awarded \$500, and will move on to the state competition in Hickory on March 3, 2018.

Speaker – Susan Sims-Pritts of the Brunswick Arts Council. She gave the clubwomen a history of the Arts Council, their projects and goals, and invited all the clubwomen to become members. She extended an invitation to their major fundraiser on May 12th, 2018. 4 x 4 Miniature Masterpiece Gala at Brunswick Center at Supply (101 Stone Chimney Place). Cindy Hewett presented Ms. Sims-Pritts with a \$50 donation from the Arts CSP.

Hands on Project was led by Melon Corsini. The Clubwomen made Cascarones. These are confetti filled eggs popular in Mexico and Italy. Melon asked the clubwomen for suggestions on

how to use the eggs in the community. A suggestion was made to donate to Shallotte Junior Woman's Club's Bunny Brunch.

Clubwoman of the Month for January was Cindy Hewett.

The door prize was won by Katherine Hayes and Joy Moments were shared. Tammy also gave two "Headache" awards to Lynn Watkins and Kimmie Durham for their hard work on the website and roster.

Clubwomen recited the Collect and then the meeting was adjourned by Tammy Kesky at 8:15pm.

Mimi Gaither, Secretary