

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

The GFWC-SBI met at Makai Brewing Company in Shallotte, NC on Monday, March 26, 2018 at 6:00 pm for social time and pizza dinner provided by the hospitality committee.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by President Tammy Kesky and noted by Lynn Carr-Wiggins that we had a quorum present.

Pledges were led by Kate Bauer and JoAnn Bass.

The February minutes were APPROVED unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report as of February 28, 2018 was presented by Beth Elliott and APPROVED unanimously.

Correspondence – Lynne Carr-Wiggins shared that there was no incoming correspondence however that she had sent a sympathy card to Harriet Hemphill.

Tammy shared her experiences from attending the LEADS program at GFWC-NC State Arts Festival. As an "ice breaker" she passed out a trivia game to all the members who were seated in their CSP groups. The Education CSP won the Hawaiian themed trivia and were presented a small gift from Tammy.

Check Presentation: Anne Hewett, Development Manager and Haylie Long, Outreach Provider Representative, both with Lower Cape Fear Hospice were present to accept a check for \$500.00. Anne Hewett thanked the membership and noted that the money would go towards the Meals of Love Program. They also accepted various items such as crackers, oatmeal, individual snacks, water and the like for the Brunswick County SECU Hospice House from the clubwomen. Anne also informed the club of their upcoming fundraising event, "Festival of Flowers" on May 9 from 4-6 at 101 Stone Chimney Place. There is a \$30.00 ticket price and all proceeds go back to LCF Hospice's Bereavement Services.

Membership: Tammy shared that two members have asked for temporary Leave of Absence. Maria Knapik's husband is having some health issues which is demanding of her time. Kim McRoy is extremely busy with building additions at work and will hopefully return at the end of summer. The Executive Board is recommending these requests. The requests were APPROVED unanimously.

State Arts: Cindy Hewett gave the club an update on GFWC-NC State Arts Festival which took place in Hickory on March 3, 2018. She gave certificates to Tammy Kesky for 1st Place in Still Life photography and noted that Tammy's entry would go on to the National Convention. Tammy also took second in short story. Melon Corsini took 1st place in sculpture. She also returned photography to Tammy Kesky, Mimi Gaither and Marie Marshburn. Cindy also told the club that our sponsored student, Samantha Frink, won the Greeson-Johnson State Teaching Scholarship and received a \$2,000.00 scholarship, as well as her \$500.00 Local and \$500.00 from District awards.

Tammy noted that it was time for the Brunswick County Literacy Council's Spelling Bee and inquired if any clubwomen would like to participate. Melon Corsini and Cindy Hewett stated that their husbands, Huey Marshall and David Hewett, who participated last year, would be willing to represent our club. Tammy also noted that the \$250 entry fee is a budgeted item.

Upcoming GFWC Events: Tammy updated the club about our largest signature fundraiser “Juleps & Jazz”, a Kentucky Derby Style Fund “Racer”. Our event will be Saturday, May 5, 2018 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at 101 Stone Chimney Place in Supply NC. Novant Health has agreed to be the \$1500 Presenting Sponsor, in addition to other corporate and trade sponsors. She also noted there were 20 Horse sponsors available to clubwomen first and then would offer those to the general public. It was noted that the winning horse sponsor (sponsor’s whose horse wins the Derby) will get a half page color ad in the Brunswick Beacon. Tammy thanked Cindy Hewett for having tickets printed and donating the expense. Members should get tickets from Beth Elliott, Treasurer to sell to the public. Tammy reminded CSP’s to prepare their silent auction baskets/items for the fundraiser and should be mindful to keep items to no more than \$125 value. Any item over that amount should be split into multiple items to maximize the revenue to the club.

Tammy made the clubwoman aware of some upcoming events:

1. Belk Charity ticket sales- March 31st 10am-12pm. (Contact Denise Moore dsmrjm@atmc.net if you can help) – Denise had tickets available for sale at the meeting.
2. GFWC-Holden Beach "Blooming for a Cause" Fashion Show- April 7th 10:15am-2pm at Sea Trail, \$50 ticket (Deadline is March 29th. See Beth Elliott if you plan to attend)
3. Wine, Women & Chocolate- April 16th 5:30-8pm, Shallotte Senior Center, \$25 ticket (contact Brunswick Co Chamber of Commerce for tickets)
4. Boys & Girls Homes of NC Breakfast- April 19th 7:30am, Wilmington, \$100 ticket
5. March of Dimes Walk- April 21st 9am, Pelican Stadium in Myrtle Beach (see Chris Angotti if you can attend)
6. Special Olympics- April 27th 9am, Cedar Grove Middle School (see Tammy if you can help)
7. GFWC-NC Annual Convention- April 27 in Cary (registration deadline is April 11)

Speaker – The Conservation CSP hosted Bridget Flora, stormwater engineer with Brunswick County. Ms. Flora informed the clubwomen on the County’s process with stormwater management and how that if affects new projects and low-density construction in Brunswick County.

The Clubwomen broke out CSP groups for 15 minutes of project discussion.

Committee Reports:

Arts CSP noted that they got a Thank You note from Brunswick Arts Council for the donation and arts supplies for the afterschool program. Cindy Hewett also reminded members of BAC’s Mini Masterpiece Gala on May 12. The event needs volunteers to help decorate and donations for silent auction items. Cindy also noted that she was setting up check presentations for SOUPer Bowl donations and will alert members of the dates/time if anyone wanted to be present. She also stated that they had leftover cascarones available if someone wanted to make a donation.

Jennifer Kuhnemann also thanked the Arts and Education CSP for their donation. She noted that Supply Elementary had formed a pottery club and was using the money to make two bowls, one for the student to keep and one for next year’s SOUPer Bowl. She anticipated she would have about twenty bowls for the pottery club to donate.

Home Life – Deana Milliken reported that they were helping Hope Harbor with the purchase of playground equipment. She also noted that Hope Harbor has some needs and will forward that list to the club.

Public Issues – Kate Bauer reported that they are planning a blood drive in October and more information would be forth coming.

Sewing – Eileen reported the sewing committee had completed several projects and were now working on no-sew baby blankets for March of Dimes. These blankets will be donated locally and nationally.

Clubwoman of the Month for March was Eileen Brown.

The door prize was won by Kimmie Durham and Joy Moments were shared.

Upon realizing that the Devotion was overlooked, Lynn Carr-Wiggins gave the Devotion.

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

Mimi Gaither, Secretary