

**GFWC GREATER WEST PALM BEACH WOMEN'S CLUB
BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**

April 23, 2018

Cathy Hopkins, Co-President, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The devotional was given by Jeff Anne Pike. Members repeated The Pledge of Allegiance and the Women's Club Collect. There were 14 members, 4 guests and there was not a quorum present. Our guest speakers were Donna and Jessica Carbonne.

RECORDING SECRETARY: **Mary Evelyn Mitchell**

The March 2018 minutes were approved by the board.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: **Meg America**

Thank you notes were received from Forgotten Soldiers Outreach for donation of items, the West Palm Beach Police Department for donation of cookies and Hidden Key Elementary School for art supplies.

TREASURER: **Janet Carlson**

The March treasurer's report was approved as presented.

1st VICE PRESIDENT: **Fran Green/Janie D'Ambrosio**

Tatania, Linda Ferris and Phyllis celebrate May birthdays. The club's annual picnic will be a Memorial Day picnic at the home of Fran and Gary Green on May 26. A sign-up sheet for food items was distributed to members. The Brightline Train trip was attended by 11 members and 7 guests. A future Brightline trip to Miami will be considered.

2nd VICE PRESIDENT:

Jeff Anne Pike, Fashion Show Chair, reported on fashion show progress. Pictures of the quilt to be raffled were distributed to members. The quilt is valued at \$2,000. The fashion show is sold out. Guests will be listed alphabetically with table number given to them when they register. Silent auction purchasers will pay during the meal. April 30 is the deadline for donations. Table centerpieces were purchased at Home Depot for a cost of \$6, thanks to a gift certificate from Home Depot. There will be a meeting at Jeff Anne's on April 24 to complete table favors.

ARTS: **Peggy Breen/Cathy Hopkins**

Peggy supplied a local special education class with supplies to make posters which will be exhibited at the fashion show. All students will receive blue ribbons. Art projects will continue in September.

CONSERVATION: **Nancy Wood/Mary Evelyn Mitchell**

Collections for Peggy Adams and Resource Depot will continue. A delivery was made to Peggy Adams and \$35 will be donated from the Conservation account. This amount will be matched by Peggy Adams donors. Our Earth Day Celebration at Okeeheelee Park was attended by 5 members. Recycling questions from the newsletter were answered.

EDUCATION: **Kathy Stackhouse /Linda Ferris**

Members were asked to participate in the Hispanic Human Resources Founder's Day on May 1 by reading to the children. Scholarship winner Andy Lara was announced. Kathy will make the award presentation to the winner at Forest Hill High School Awards Assembly. Members were asked to assist with HOBY registration on May 31 and June 3.

HOME LIFE: **Suzanne Valentage**

Six members and one guest prepared and served dinner to approximately 65 people at Quantum House. At the dinner the children received 38 pillowcases made by the members. This was the last month for used shoes for March of Dimes.

INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH: **Liz Bloeser and Phyllis Gauger**

Six members, 2 guests and 2 boosters attended the April dinner at Bolay's. The May International Dinner will be announced in the newsletter.

PUBLIC ISSUES:**Jeff Anne Pike/ Cathy Hopkins**

A club donation of \$50 will be matched with an individual matching donation for the total of \$100 donation to Forgotten Soldiers. The next Honor Flight is scheduled for May 19. Centerpieces for the VA will be made and delivered on May 22.

SPECIAL CHAIRMAN-**GFWC SPECIAL PROJECT: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION****Linda Ferris**

A delivery of 21 birthday bags will be made to the Domestic Abuse shelter to remember April Child Abuse Prevention Month. A delivery of food and paper products donated by the club was made to Grandma's Place. Information about Pinwheels for Prevention was placed on Facebook.

LEADERSHIP**Cathy Hopkins/Suzan Close**

Linda Ferris and Suzan Close will represent the club at the GFWC State Convention on May 5-7. The Spring District Meeting will be May 19 at the Delray Public Library. Members were asked to sign up to attend. The Leader of the Month was Chris Smith for her work on the Quantum House dinner.

NEWSLETTER:**Jeff Anne Pike**

Deadline for the newsletter is April 29.

PUBLIC RELATIONS:**Linda Ferris**

Our club was featured in a Membership Monday article. Suzan Close received the Pat on the Back. Members participated in a Federation Bingo 2018 as a reminder that April is Federation Month.

OLD BUSINESS: There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS: There was no new business.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Linda Ferris told members to let her know if anyone needed Federation supplies that she could purchase at Convention.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Mary Evelyn Mitchell

Recording Secretary