

## MINUTES Zonta Club of Laramie August General Meeting August 23, 2018 Corona Village

In Attendance: Tasha Bauman, Alyssa Tekiela, Johnna French, Linda Valenti, Erin Bohnet, Deedee Boysen, Tamara Bretting

Guests: None

- 1. Call to order by Johnna French, 6:11pm
- 2. Secretary's Report: by Tamara Bretting The July 2018 General Meeting Minutes were emailed to the club by Tamara Bretting. Deedee had a correction to the spelling of "village" in the location heading. Deedee moved to accept the minutes with the edit, Alyssa seconded the motion. All in favor July 2018 General Meeting Minutes are approved with the edit.
- **3.** Treasurer's Report: by Johnna In the absence of the treasurer, the only financial report to give was the success of the garage sale fundraiser. We raised \$250 before the rain forced an early end. The money is earmarked for scholarships and service projects.
- 4. Committee Reports:
  - a. Advocacy: No Report
  - b. Service Committee: by Tamara Bretting
    - **i. Z** Club: The Z Club gave a great speech at the freshman orientation session this week, attempting to recruit new members by praising the value of community and international service.
    - **ii. Spark:** A meeting is still needed to organize this. We are still waiting on an official date from LCCC to use their facilities. Hopefully we can get rolling on this by our next general meeting.
    - iii. Suited for Success: Alyssa:
      - 1. There has not been a lot of action for the "Pop up for Success" due to the difficulty of the event. Ideally, we would get a permanent installment of a small rack (with 2 outfits of each size) within Climb itself. The clothing could be taken directly from there, and contact information could be left as an advertisement for the women to reach out for more items.
      - 2. We have had lots of communication with Climb and their clientele to both donate and receive items, but often the timeframe doesn't work out. Several members

- (Linda, Deedee, Johnna, and Erin) offered to be back-up contacts to be available to open up the "closet" for anyone searching for clothing.
- **3.** Questions were asked about a need to clean out and organize our "closet". We were told that we are lacking in larger sized business apparel, and that it would be useful to have another organization get together. Ideas were floated regarding turning this into a membership social <u>or</u> inviting Climb to help us organize donations.
- **4.** Another question was raised regarding giving the UW International Students access to the "closet". We will check with Patty Butler on this.
- **iv.** Climb Wyoming: See Suited for Success report. It was also mentioned that Climb is getting ready to start a new set of courses, so this would be a good opportunity to pair with them.
- v. Ivinson Open House: Tasha will be meeting with Mary Mountain in an attempt to get her to rejoin the club, and also to determine if we will still be helping with this event.
- vi. Book Club/Movie Night: Alyssa would like to continue organizing our alternating book club and movie night. Our first event of this year will be the movie "Hidden Figures" on October 18, tentatively at Alyssa's home.
- c. Membership: by Tasha Bauman and Erin Bohnet
  - i. Charlotte has agreed to be on this committee.
  - **ii.** ZI encourages clubs to stop looking at the membership process as a committee, and start looking at it as an entire club effort.
  - **iii.** Focus for our membership committee has been creating this year's directory, recruiting people to rejoin, and ideas for Golden Z.
    - i. 100 Celebration update: Our district is tasked with an International Women's Day event that all clubs in our district can do. One idea presented was a brunch to honor the women in your life.
- **d. Fundraising:** See garage sale details in the treasurer report. Bring all ideas for fundraising to the next general meeting!

## 5. New Business:

a. Board and General Meeting Dates and Times Update: Johnna French

General Meetings will take place at 6:00pm on the Thursdays listed below, with Board Meetings to follow the General Meetings. Please arrive earlier than 6pm to socialize and place your order from the menu.

2018: July 26, August 23, September 27, October 25, November 29, December (TBA Christmas Party at Jennifer Stone's home, no meetings). A Christmas date needs to be set soon to help our directory.

2019: January 24, February 28, March 28, April 25, May 23, June 27

## 6. Old Business:

- **a. Speakers and Fundraisers:** Please be <u>sure</u> to attend the September meeting and bring ideas for speakers and fundraising (maximizing reward and minimizing effort).
- **7. Open Discussion:** Alyssa has an opportunity to get a speaking engagement with the Women's Studies department at UW. This is a good chance to seek out interest from students in creating a Golden Z. Johnna will send out the biennial goals to the club.
- **8. Special Presentation:** Deedee on the International Convention in Japan
  - a. The next ZI Convention will be in Chicago, 2020!

- **b.** Outline of events in Japan:
  - i. Tours before the convention started.
  - ii. Flag ceremonies for each country in ZI
  - **iii.** Business meetings in the morning and workshops in the afternoons.
  - iv. Officer candidate speeches and receptions
  - **v.** Delegates voted on issues
    - 1. Installment of the Young Professionals membership cost level.
    - 2. Discussion around changing the names of scholarships (none passed)
    - **3.** Pilot program started for a new scholarship (next fiscal year) for women in technology.
  - vi. Centennial Discussion
  - vii. Increase in ZI dues of \$8 for next year.
  - **viii.** Discussion that a membership committee for a club should have a minimum of 3 members.
  - ix. Resolutions
    - 1. Women responding to climate change discussed, but not added
    - 2. Zonta Says No campaign will continue, but focus on child marriages
    - **3.** Use of egg cells worldwide and respecting women's rights discussed and not passed, too controversial
    - **4.** Individual membership category for ZI (not affiliated with a club or district) passed, but details to be determined.
- **9. Adjourn:** 7:32pm by Johnna French