

NORTHWEST AUSTIN REPUBLICAN WOMEN
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

1/8/2018

The General Meeting of the Northwest Austin Republican Women (NWARW) was called to order by Club President Susan Friedrich at 11:50 a.m. on Monday, 1/8/2018 at Dave & Buster's Restaurant.

The Invocation was given by Sheri Radomsky. Pledges were led by Rosemary Edwards.

Rhonda Murphy made known visitors and new members. Rhonda recognized the candidates in the room and those representing candidates.

Vice President Rosemary Edwards announced and introduced the speaker Karen Newton, President of the Texas Federation of Republican Women.

Speaker Karen Newton talked a bit about her family. She touched on the Federation type of tiers within the National Federation and the State Federation of Republican Women. She touched on the importance of reporting campaign hours for clubs. Ms. Newton also discussed the TFRW luncheon at the State GOP convention in June.

OFFICER REPORTS:

2nd Vice President- Connie Ripley briefly mentioned our speaker for February, Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar and encouraged all to attend.

Club President Susan Friedrich called for the approval of the minutes. She stated the club minutes are posted in the e-news and members found no audits necessary and were approved as posted.

Treasurer- Sandy Woerner reported a previous balance of \$3,753.04 and a current balance of \$3,847.16.

1st Vice President- Ann Bradley reported 49 active members, 17 Associate members and 1 Young Affiliate. Ann stated the goal of the NWARW is to have 75 members. Renewal drawing for a free membership went to Katie Stephens and a gift of a potholder went to Nubia Devine. Rhonda Murphy announced that the NWARW had a quorum present

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Committee Opportunities-Rhonda Murphy spoke on 2018 committee opportunities. She thanked those who have signed up to serve on committees and that she was passing around the clipboard for anyone interested to sign up.

Americanism- Mary Heffernan referred people to the back of the agenda where she had posted a description and meaning of Americanism.

Caring for America-Carolyn Isbell stated our January project, the Austin Recovery, and Susan explained a bit more on the important work of this organization. Carolyn then mentioned that there were donation envelopes in the back for anyone interested. Carolyn mentioned that the Caring for America project for next month will be Foster Angels of Central Texas.

Campaign Activities- Carolyn Isbell discussed the importance of reporting hours and that a clipboard as being passed around to make it convenient for people to report hours.

Legislative- Jan Duncan referred to information on back of the agenda: passage of Tax Reform Bill, Immigration/DACA and infrastructure.

Media Communications, -President Susan Friedrich talked about the NWARW Facebook page and encouraged the membership to go to the page and work with it, posting, liking etc.

Political Action-Carla Birk stated the NWARW will be joining Sheri Radomsky in walking her precinct on Saturday January 13, and invited members to join. She also mentioned the elections team needs election workers for the March 6th election and to contact the TCRP for more information at 512-3-2-1776.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None to speak of

NEW BUSINESS:

Announcements: President Susan Friedrich spoke on the TFRW internship program. She stated the member Rosssy Fariña-Strauss was the contact person at wemakethingshappen@gmail.com

Calendar of Events:

January 13-Block Walk with Sheri Radomsky

January 15-Martin Luther King Jr Day

January 25-TFRW BoD meeting

January 27-TFRW Leadership Day

February 5-NWARW General Meeting

February 16-NWARW EC meeting

February 20-EV starts

March 6-Primary Election

Announcements by Elected Officials, Candidates, Guests-they were invited to address the membership

Rhonda Murphy mentioned the Texas Rally for Life

With no new business, President Susan Friedrich adjourned the meeting at 12:50 PM.

Recording Secretary for North West Austin Republican Women (NWARW)

Olga Lasher