

NORTHWEST AUSTIN REPUBLICAN WOMEN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

The NWARW Executive Committee Meeting was called to order at 11:45AM by President Susan Friedrich In the Conference Room of Westminster Assisted Living.

The minutes of the last Executive Committee were approved as written.

Officer Reports:

- President Susan announced that Vice President Rosemary Edwards is the new grandmother of a baby girl and is busy today getting everyone settled.
- 1st VP Membership - Rhonda reported membership is at 72 active – just four short of the goal of 75. She encouraged everyone work to bring in new members if possible. If we reach the goal, she would like to plan a small celebration. The Telephone Committee Chair Joyce Mulugin was asked to have her callers remind everyone to bring their check books to the meeting in order to pay their 2018 dues. In place of the Fall New Member Lunch this year, she proposes holding it in the Spring. The focus next year will be getting all members involved.
- 2nd VP - Connie reported Dr. Laura Pressley, former Austin City Council Member will be the speaker for the November 6th meeting. She is arranging a Judge to install new officers at the December 4th meeting. Ideas for programs or speakers are always welcomed.
- Treasurer - Jan reported the balance is about \$3,600.
- Corresponding Secretary Elaine sent a “thank you” to the October speaker.

Committee Reports:

- Campaign Activities - Carolyn reported 1084 hours for Qtr. 3.
- Caring for America – Carolyn & Katie want veryone to continue helping victims of Harvey and being involved in the Literacy Project. Mary Heffernan is accepting needed school supplies for the flooded Conroe area. She can be reached at 512/299-6556 if you can help. In December the project is Purple Santa/Safe Place. Joyce Melugin offered to make the deliveries of the gifts.
- Chaplain Chris reported having volunteers to do the opening prayer for all but one of the future meetings.
- Fundraising – Discussion to not favor “one candidate” fundraisers. A discussion led to a “Meet & Greet Candidate Party” instead. It would be planned for after the March primary results.
- Hospitality – Elaine asked for greeters for November. Julia Johnson and Chris Sale volunteered. Receiving information concerning members who need cards continues to be a problem. Perhaps the Telephone Callers could share any information they receive regarding illness, etc. The continuation of the Welcome Bags is recommended.
- Literacy – October 17th Dictionary Day – Pillow Elementary 8:45AM. Volunteers: Joyce, Pat Dollar, Chris Sale, Linda Berezin and Susan.
- Nominations Committee – Rosemary – The election will take place at the November meeting. Outgoing officers and committee chairs are to transfer their materials ASAP. New proposed TFRW By-laws will recommend 3 days after leaving office and definitely no later than Dec. 31.
- Political Action – Carla – will not be at the November but will have someone speak about recruiting precinct chairs and election workers.
- Telephone – Joyce – All agreed her team of callers were doing a great job. Calls for the November meeting are especially important since there may be a problem getting out the E-News.

New Business:

- The November 8th meeting needs to pay tribute to Veterans Day. Elaine presented an etiquette book regarding the “flag”. Excerpts will be read by members in conjunction with the Pledge of Allegiance at the meeting. Julia Johnson will lead the members in singing the National Anthem. All veterans present will be recognized.
- December 4th Meeting – The focus will be on Committee Chairs and their purpose. A fun skit on the Twelve Days of Christmas by Julia and company is planned.
- A Christmas Social for outgoing/incoming officers and committee chairs is planned for Dec. 8th at the home of Sandy Woerner from 11:30 – 1:30. Rhonda agreed to help.
- The Planning Meeting was scheduled for January 6th at the TFRW conference room from 10am to 2pm.

Unfinished Business:

- Rhonda shared information, schedules carpooling and plans for the delegates and alternates attending the TFRW Convention in Dallas Oct. 19-21.

Thanks was given to Maggie for hosting the meeting and providing the lunches.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:10pm.

Julia Johnson, Secretary