

NBWC GENERAL MEETING

March 2, 2017

President Fannin called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. The invocation was given by Mary Lynne Desmond, followed by the recitation of the pledges to the flags.

D'Stone reported for Correspondence and the Sunshine Committee. Both the club formal cards and get well cards were sent to Sherry Springer, Anne Harman, and Ellen Watson. A thank you was received from the Boys & Girls Club for a \$300 donation given by Education CSP and from Ruth Waters, who was a speaker to Arts CSP, for her lunch and a donation to her program.

Joan Campbell thanked members who participated in and helped with the Social held last month. Four first-time guests were introduced by members Vickie White, Marianne Brinson, Mary Ann Koffenberger, and Rebecca Fenn. Other guests included second time attendees Brenda Harris and Fran Foley and Dre Nix and Joy Willis-Fetter from the Boys & Girls Club. President Fannin then expressed her appreciation to Joan for her work on the Social and presented her with a small token of appreciation.

Martha Faw informed the members that numbers will be drawn at the April meeting for table assignments.

Jean Horrell reported that Education CSP will meet next Wednesday at the Chelsea restaurant at 10:30. Dawn Peale, Executive Director of Carolina East Cancer Center will be their guest speaker.

Liz Maravelas reported that Arts CSP will have a short meeting immediately following the general meeting.

Holly Prafke reported Home Life CSP's next meeting will be March 16th at the Country Club.

Marcy Riordan, on behalf of Public Issues CSP, thanked the members for their donations for the Colonial Capital Humane Society. The next meeting will be at Paula's restaurant, March 16th at 11:00 a.m.

Liz Maravelas reported a Checking Account balance of \$5,091.52, Money Market balance of \$18,213.47, Wells Fargo interest \$442.56. She then showed a photograph of the banner that will be used for this year's Craven Arts Council banner. The submission was from J. H. McDonald School.

Liz informed the members that a basket will be created for auction at the "Get Your Pink On" cancer fundraiser scheduled for March 30th. Additionally the club has sponsored luminaries for that night in memory of past and present members. Members wishing to purchase a luminary can give their check to Liz, who will pass it on to the organizers of the event.

President Fannin called attention to copies of the budget on each table. The budget was presented to the membership at the February meeting and the Board has recommended its adoption. Chris Skrotsky moved to adopt the budget as presented. Rebecca Fenn seconded the motion. There being no discussion, President Fannin called for a vote, and the 2017 budget was passed unanimously.

The Nominating Committee, comprised of a member of each CSP, presented the slate of officers for 2017-2019 as the nominees of the Nominating Committee: Marcy Riordan, President; Liz Maravales, First Vice President; Second Vice President, Membership, Vickie White; Chris Skrotsky, Treasurer; Second Vice President, Lunches, D' Stone; Recording Secretary, Susan Lucas; Dean Smith, Corresponding Secretary. There being no further nominations from the floor, President Fannin informed the membership that a voice vote will be conducted at the April meeting.

In order to continue meeting at the New Bern County Club a new sponsor is needed. President Fannin requested any member of the Country Club willing to act as sponsor contact her after the meeting.

A professional photographer will be present at the April meeting to take photographs of members for a pictorial to be established on the website. Discussion will be held to determine whether to include a pictorial in the yearbook.

Past President Paula Lindsay announced that her President's Fund check in the amount of \$5,000 will be donated to the New Bern Boys & Girls Club's new Teen

Center. She then presented the check to Dre Nix, the New Bern Area Director and Jodie Willis-Fetter, Director of Operations of the Boys & Girls Club of Coastal Carolina. Dre Nixon, expressed her appreciation for all of the support given to the Club over the past year and invited members to the ribbon cutting ceremony scheduled for April 24th.

Following the meeting there will be a short meeting for anyone interested in being on the committee for the SMART Girls Tea to be held in May.

Marcy Riordan introduced local author Kay Parker, who publishes under the name of Kate Parker. The Victorian Bookshop Mysteries are her first published novels, now being joined by the Deadly series of pre WWII mysteries. Kay lives in Taberna. Following the program the membership rose to recite the Collect.

The meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Rawlings, Acting Recording Secretary