

Venice Nokomis Woman's Club General Meeting Minutes

April 11, 2019

Installation Luncheon, held at Allegro Bistro

President Ann Shoup called the meeting to order at 11:46am. The Pledge and Collect were dispensed with for this meeting.

Minutes: As there were no corrections or changes to the March General Meeting Minutes, they were unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: Debra had received no comments or corrections for the Year End Treasurers Report. This was also approved by a unanimous vote.

President's Report: Ann shared some highlights of our busy and successful past year:

The donation we made to the new Venice Library and our participation in its grand opening.

The Venice Museum had a display of the history of the VNWC.

The club implemented the formation of the Finance Committee. They are to monitor finances of the club and recommend future financial goals. Additionally, they made us compliant with Florida Laws. These are just a few of their many accomplishments.

These were in addition to our usual fundraising, community outreach and scholarship awards.

More information may be found on our website, in the April Newsletter.

Ann thanked all that participated in these events, as our mission is to give back to the community.

Membership: 1st Vice president, Lorraine reported that we had a good year for membership; but we need to focus on a membership drive as we will be losing quite a few members. Some current members are not rejoining as some have 'aged out' or 'burned out', and a number have passed away recently. Tricia offered that there are a large number and variety of voluntary organizations now available to women. She felt our events and programs (and subsequent publicity) could potentially bring in new members. The Herald Tribune recently published a photo and information about our Breakfast Fundraiser and donation to Tidewell Hospice, this is the sort of publicity we need. There are a total of 31 members that have rejoined and members have until June 1, 2019 to submit dues. Many members pay at the May meeting. Ann encouraged members to bring 2 or 3 friends to a meeting.

Programs: 2nd Vice President, Aimee, noted that she is planning to have members of Venice MainStreet, the Venice Art Center and perhaps the Venice Theater speak at May's meeting. She will request that they discuss their children's' summer programs and how we, as a club, can offer our support. Possibly that would be in

line with Tricia's thoughts of our participation in community events and publicity of this. Aimee, Jean and Laura will be meeting to discuss next years program content. Ann thanked Aimee for arranging today's luncheon.

Ann noted that the main focus of this meeting was the installation of the new board members. The new officers were installed in their positions after agreeing to obey and enforce the bylaws and policies of the VNWC and to support its activities and programs. They agreed to fulfill the responsibilities and duties of the offices to which they were elected. Ann thanked them for their accepting these positions. Newly elected officers Jean Trammell, President; Joan Brinton, Treasurer and Laura Hester, fundraising join ongoing board members, Lorraine Finizio, 1st VP; Aimee Holmes, 2nd VP and Kathy Price, Secretary.

As there was no other business, Jean declared the meeting adjourned at 12 o'clock.

Kathy Price
Secretary