



VENICE-NOKOMIS WOMAN'S CLUB GENERAL MEETING JANUARY 9, 2025

William H. Jervey Library Community Room

Meeting called to order at 1:09PM by President

1. Call to order and welcome
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Reading of The Collect
4. After meeting social headcount - location to be determined
5. Our speaker
 - a. Kara Morgan, CEO of Venice MainStreet
 - i. 501(c)(3)
 - ii. Mission is a community-based economic development organization
 - iii. 36 years old in April
 - iv. Help Historic downtown be the living room of Venice: the place you bring guests and yourself
 - v. 1 of 3,000 Mainstreet America organizations: all share the same 4 pillars
 1. Visual appearance
 2. Professional
 3. Marketing and Promotion
 4. Historic Preservation
 - vi. VMS wants to expand the footprint of Venice, Tampa & Miami Avenues. Hoping will add the Seaboard District and Cultural Corridor + VPAC
 - vii. 50 events / year. Shark Tooth Festival is the largest event
6. Old Business
 - a. Any comments and suggestions from Holiday Parade participants, please email to Joan Brinton at jcbrint@gmail.com.
 - b. Clarification: We will be supporting local 501c3 entities either by volunteer time or donations next fiscal year beginning in September and culminating in our 100th year gala.
 - c. We are still in need of a Governance Chair and a Communications Chair.
7. New Business
 - a. Tricia Cook - Thank you from TWIG
 - b. First Vice President – Amy-Jean
 - i. New member to induct
 1. Beth Behrenhauser
 2. Arlene Ferrick
 - ii. Guests
 1. Elizabeth Nesci
 2. Jan Weiss
 3. Janet Pollard
 4. Joy Cony
 5. Mickey Onacilla
 6. Pat Colbert
 7. Pat Schneider



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8. Philomena Davis
9. Susan DiLorenzo
- iii. Birthdays for the last several months were announced
- c. Secretary - Vicki
 - i. Approval of November membership meeting minutes
 1. Motion Pat
 2. Second Trisha
 3. All approve
- d. Treasurer's report - Kathy
- e. Director at Large - Carol
 - i. Bylaws and Policy & Procedure section, Finance Committee
 - ii. What the Committee Does
 1. Oversees the Operating Budget
 2. Determines a short list of fund-raising recipients that goes to the Board and then to Membership for voting
 3. Scholarships: in 36 years, we have donated \$193,000+
 4. Insurance Contract
 5. Investments
 - iii. Who is on the Committee
 1. Trisha
 2. Carol
 3. Kathy M
 4. Liz
 5. Joan
- f. Director of Fundraising - Gail
 - i. Fundraising Committee meeting January 17th, 12:00 at Wm. H. Jervey Venice Library Community Room
 - ii. VNWC Fashion Showcase February 26th. Purchase tickets online at www.visitvenicefl.org or call 941-484-6722.
 1. Pick up a hat/fascinator to wear if you are going to the Fashion Show
 2. As of this morning, we have 9 tickets left
 3. The Mayor will be our MC
 4. We have raised a lot of sponsor money
 - iii. March downtown Venice tour: Wild Women of Venice
 - iv. Anyone interested in a movie club
 - v. Next March (2026) will be a celebration of the club's 100th anniversary.
 1. We met with the mayor: fairly soon we have to decide how big we want to make the gala
 - vi. Thank-you letter from Venice Area Mobil Meals, \$10,000
8. Winner of the 50/50 raffle: Susan Flanagan
9. Next meeting William H. Jervey Venice Library, Community Room, February 13th, 1 p.m.

Adjournment at 2:23



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1. Motion to Adjourn Lorraine
2. Second Bernie
3. All Approve

Submitted by Vicki Hazle, Secretary