

PARADISE REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB

GENERAL MEETING

JUNE 13, 2015

The meeting was called to order by President Lori Urban at 11:00.

The Prayer was given by Ashley Fritz, followed by the Pledge.

Ashley explained that the cost of lunch at Gainey was going up to \$32 in January. We have been working with the club and have come up with three possibilities. 1. Pay \$32 and have a three course lunch as usual 2. Drop the soup/salad course 3. Start the meeting at 10AM and have a brunch menu. Ballots were placed on the tables so everyone can vote for their choice. Results will be announced later in the meeting.

Lori asked for three volunteers from the general membership to be on the Nominating Committee. Barb McMullen and Joan Parker have been selected from the Executive Board. Jini Simpson, Ruth Foster and Shirley Dickman volunteered to be on the committee. They will present a slate of officers for 2016 via Constant Contact in September. Nominations from the floor will be taken at the October meeting. The new slate of officers will be voted on in November and installed at the Holiday Party.

Delegates from our club to the AzFRW "mini-Convention" will be voted on today. The club will have 11 delegates in addition to 9 automatic delegates. The automatic delegates are members who also hold offices or head committees for the AzFRW : Lori Urban, Leona Johnston, Barb McMullen, Mary Williams, Dianna Soe Myint, Joan Parker and Dee Lee. 12 members from the club have asked to be delegates – Ballots were on the tables – 11 will be elected with 1 alternate. Barb McMullen will tally the ballots and have the results later in the meeting.

President Lori Urban introduced the 6 Scottsdale City Council Members – Linda Milhaven and Kathy Littlefield are active members of the club, Suzanne Klapp and Virginia Korte are associate members and Guy Phillips and David Smith are in the men's auxiliary. Since this represented a quorum, the council members were only able to talk about the upcoming (November 2015) Bond election but not any specific aspects of it. The last bond issue was defeated by the voters – this new bond issue has been trimmed to necessities that cannot be funded from the City's general fund. Council members then took questions from the audience.

Leona Johnston introduced Mary Williams, President of the AzFRW and a member of our club, Mary Baumbach and Margo Treece who are working on the NFRW Convention which will be held at the Desert Ridge Marriott in September. Volunteers and money are needed.

Caring for America: Anthea Dyer and Linda Weinberger talked about the wonderful things that UMOM continues to do for our homeless vets, abused women and homeless families. The basket was passed for towels for families in transition from the shelter to their own apartments

Americanism: Judy Lawrence had a drawing for 3 winners of the patriotic photo contest. Three baskets of goodies were the prizes.

Barb McMullen announced the results of the Gainey lunch question – members voted to drop the soup/salad course and the price will continue at \$30.

She also announced the delegates to the AzFRW mini-convention on September 9<sup>th</sup>: Judy Lawrence, Angela Cesal, Anthea Dyer, Yvonne Cahill, Shirley Knudsen. Billie Kovach, Diana Marsh, Anna Morrison, Donna Reagan, Jini Simpson, Marney Thompson Debbie Riso will be an alternate.

Lori Urban has secured a bus for the Dinesh D'Souza event in Prescott on July 28. The bus will cost \$800 and tickets will be sold for \$25 pp through Eventbrite – this will be a club fundraiser. A Constant Contact will be sent to all the clubs in the valley. Tickets to the event and/or the reception must be purchased separately.

A delicious lunch was enjoyed by all!

Respectfully submitted by Carol Zraket, Recording Secretary