

FORTUNA TIERRA CLUB MINUTES

August 12, 2019, 11 AM

Ronna Edgett-Underwood's House

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER @ 11:14 am by President Mary Ann Guilinger.

OPENING COMMENTS: Mary Ann thanked co-hostesses Eve Becker-Doyle and Kathy Heinrichs. Mary Ann also brought food.

GOOD NEWS: Mary Ann is expecting a grandchild before long.

PRESENT (12) Alissa Crandall \* Eve Becker-Doyle \* Diane Spooner \* Irene Stith \* Karen Gualtieri \* Kathy Heinrichs \* Kathy McLallen \* Mary Menz \* Lish Sheppard \* Ronna Edgett-Underwood \* Wendy Fenner\* Mary Ann Guilinger

GUEST (1): Shirley Didier

MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING – February 11, 2019 meeting minutes are posted on the website. The budget is an attachment.

MOTION TO APPROVE Eve; SECOND Wendy; VOTE Passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT: In Vonnie's absence, Mary Ann gave the financial report. Shotwell CD - \$20,000 + Savings - \$14,500 + Donation account - \$200 + Checking Account - \$14,215.86 (includes runner registrations and donations through 8/6 and payments for the Log Hill Hustle of \$960 of which \$900 is for the chipped timing). Total current funds: \$48,915.86.

PHILANTHROPIC COMMITTEE: Karen Gualtieri said this year 11 recipients were awarded scholarships: 9 \$1,000 and 2 \$500 awards. Recently the bylaws were changed and the new wording regarding residency requirements caused controversy. Also need was not mentioned on the website explanation of our scholarships, although previous discussion supported this criterion. The following ideas were part of the discussion but no decision was made: reward exceptional students, figure out how need fits into the equation (request federal need letter?), eligible students will be those whose parents (or landlords if they rent) pay Ouray County property taxes, home school kids and Colona residents should be eligible. Montrose and Ouray High School students should not. Ouray students have access to scholarship money from Ouray businesses. Another idea was the Shotwell scholarship should be the largest award and should come from Shotwell funds. It should have defined criteria. The committee wants to interview the student candidates as they have in the past.

Karen will make revisions to the application, add a worthwhile essay section (including stating a minimum and maximum number of words), propose wording for residency and need, suggest a rationale or philosophy that is the basis of our awarding decisions.

Mary Menz suggested we speak to the school counselor to suggest that Fortuna put on a workshop for high school kids. It would cover how to fill out scholarship forms and college applications, how to write an essay and how to interview. Mary Menz believed November was a good month for the workshop. Mary Menz will head up the workshop.

COMPASSION COMMITTEE: Lil Fredericksen was not present. Vonnie's mother recently had a stroke, and Vonnie is visiting her.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE: The fourth annual Log Hill Hustle is on Sunday, August 25. In Roze's absence, Mary Ann, race director, reported on funds raised and the race. So far, 15 and 43 runners are signed up for the 10K and 5K respectively. That's 58 vs 81 last year this time. We are about 20 runners

behind. On Monday, August 19 at 2 PM the race bags will be stuffed at the fire station. The volunteer meeting is scheduled on Saturday, August 24 at 2:00.

Wendy, food coordinator, spoke about getting food for breakfast. She has a \$1,000 credit at Mountain Market and will place the order with Will soon. She needs \$300 worth of additional food and suggested that FTC members make muffins. Except as noted, these folks volunteered to make two dozen muffins (or cupcakes): Ronna (4 dz), Kathy McLallen, Kathy Heinrich and Karen Gualtieri. Wendy's daughter and Carol Rossman were volunteered. Safeway may also be an option.

Wendy indicated the wooden medallions and trophies for the top winners were expected to arrive today. She will continue to produce Facebook ads and asked others to share the posting on their own timelines.

The race photographer is Ed Bovy.

It is necessary to do an inventory of paper plates, sugar packets, sweetener and other supplies in Irene's garage.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Irene Stith will host the October 14 meeting at 11 AM.
- 2) Christmas party on December 9. If we decide to bring spouse/guest, either we should charge the guests since our dues don't cover that cost or have a party at someone's house with everyone bringing food. Vonnie's place was suggested as a possibility. Kathy McLallen is willing to have an appetizer party at her house if she still owns it and is living here in December.
- 3) Historical documents for the website may be added.
- 4) Recruitment for new members: All were encouraged to bring new members to FTC meetings.
- 5) Eve Becker-Doyle spoke to the group about serving as volunteers for the Ridgway Old West Fest.
- 6) Mary Menz wants to lead a wildflower hike the week of August 27-30 along Nate Creek. I will be sending an email about it once we choose a date. Her new book is titled **Common Wildflowers of the San Juan Mountains**.

BIRTHDAYS: Claudia Wolff 5/13; Irene Stith 5/16; Ann Blakely 6/17; Ronna Edgett-Underwood 7/23; Kathy McLallen 8/14

ANNIVERSARIES: Eve Becker-Doyle 5/23; Kathy Heinrichs 6/20; Alissa Crandall, Claudia Wolff 6/29; Laureen Kraft 6/29; Wendy Fenner 7/06; Ann Blakely 7/08; Roze Evans 7/27; Alissa Crandall 7/29; Mary Ann Guilinger 8/04; Sue Wiens 8/08; Ronna Edgett-Underwood 8/19; Mary Menz 8/29; Lillian Fredericksen 9/27.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 1:00 PM