FORTUNA TIERRA CLUB November 11, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 10:45 a.m. at the home of Irene Stith. The meeting was conducted by Co-President Sue Wiens.

Opening Comments: Sue Wiens read a statement regarding why we celebrate Thanksgiving and all we have to be thankful for. This is Veterans Day and we should pray for the men and women serving our country, those who have been wounded and for those who made the ultimate sacrifice.

Roll call indicated there were 23 members present. Also present were two guests: Carol Crawford and Carol Jancar.

Minutes: On a motion made and seconded the Minutes of the October were approved as presented.

Treasurers Report: Laureen Kraft reported October income at \$600.00 and expenses at \$527.03. Expenses consisted of advertising costs for the golf tournament and reimbursement to two members for the golf tournament miscellaneous expenses. The month ending assets are: Checking \$12,201.18; money market \$2,197.60 and \$30,000 Shotwell CD. There being no questions, the treasurer's report was filed.

Secretary's Report: No report. Irene Stith read two Minutes from the December 1980 meeting and Christmas visit to the Olathe Care Center.

Committee Reports:

Newsletter and Member Books: Roze reported that members are encouraged to use the website to read minutes and respond to RSVPs.

Club Operations: Shelly Bennett announced the slate of officers for 2014-2015: Pat Montgomery – Vice-President, and Claudia Wolf and Kathy Heinrichs will share the Secretary's responsibilities. Sue Wiens noted the new Committee Chairs: Philanthropic – Cher Mitton; Fundraising – Shelly Bennett; Club Operations – Irene Stith; Compassion – Lillian Fredericksen. On a motion made by Irene Stith, seconded by Lillian Fredericksen and unanimously in favor, the slate was elected as presented.

Shelly noted that the Policies and Procedures have been updated and would be available on the website. Shelly noted the changes that have been made which reflect matters the members have discussed and approved at prior meetings. On a motion made by Irene Stith, seconded by Cher Mitton and unanimously approved the changes were adopted as presented.

Compassion: Lil reported that Rich Miller is currently in the hospital recovering from a mild heat attack. Lil related a conversation she had with long time member Jeannie Logan. It was decided that the Minutes from 1980-1981 would be copied and Lil would record them for Jeannie to hear. These are the Minutes that are being read at the meetings to see how the club operated 24 years ago.

Fundraisers: Roze discussed the upcoming craft fair being held on November 23 at the 4-H Center in Ridgway from 10:00-3:00. Members who brought craft items are to meet after the meeting so the items can be priced. The November 19 meeting was cancelled due to the fact that this work could be done after the regular meeting. Three black tablecloths are needed and Sue Wiens indicated she had some available. Roze thanked everyone for filling out the craft item form. Anyone having more crafts should have them delivered to Roze or Cher by November 22, 11:00 a.m. The committee will set up the table the night before the sale. There are a few members who will bring their items before the sale starts at 10:00 a.m. Roze read the names of people who signed up for shifts. Several people will be there the entire time. There are posters which will be placed at various locations and everyone should spread the word.

Philanthropic: Stephanie Gregory noted this was the time to collect checks and food donations for the Christmas baskets at the Colona Community Church. On a motion made by Irene Stith, seconded by Stephanie Gregory, and unanimously voted in favor, a donation of \$100.00 will be made by the FTC. Checks can be given to Stephanie up until December 9 at the Christmas party. Stephanie noted that last year the club members were extremely generous and thanked them for their past support.

Old Business: The Christmas party will be held December 9 at 6:00 p.m. at the Divide Ranch and Club. The entrees will be a choice of pork loin or chicken with several side dishes. Vegetarian available on request. The FTC will pay for the member's dinner and that of a guest. It will be a cash bar. RSVP should be on the website by December 5. There is no meeting in December, but a hostess is needed for the January 2014 meeting. A hostess sheet will be passed out at the January meeting.

Sue Wiens read a list of items which indicated the accomplishments that were hoped for in the 2013 year. Many of the items had been accomplished and anyone having suggestions for the next year should pass them along to Sue and Mary.

There will be a meeting of the outgoing and incoming officers some time in January.

The birthdays and anniversaries were announced: Birthdays – Shelly Bennett – 11/12; Sue Wiens – 11/16 and Evelyn Ardoin 11/30; Anniversaries – Ann Larivee – 11/13.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m. A blessing was read by Lillian Fredericksen for the Veterans who served our country and for the Thanksgiving dinner we were about to share.

Respectfully submitted, Irene Stith, Secretary