

GFWC-SBI General Meeting Minutes
Monday, December 10, 2018

GFWC-SBI met at River Hall at Rivers Edge Golf Club, in Shallotte, NC on Monday, December 10, 2018 at 6:00 pm for social time with potluck dinner provided by clubwomen. Donations were accepted for West Brunswick High School teacher holiday social, Shallotte Middle School Christmas store, and the hospice family the clubwomen sponsored. The meeting was called to order at 6:39 by President Tammy Kesky. Tammy welcomed guests: Ann Landis, GFWC-NC State President, Salem Jones, Cindy Cheatham, Laura Collins, Sandy Grundy, Sandy Jackson, Kim Andrews, Nick Micale with REVA (Toys for Tots rep), Josh Torbich of Brunswick Christian Recovery Center.

A devotion was given by Kelly Barefoot who read The Christmas Candle storybook.

Lynne Carr-Wiggins noted that there was a quorum present with 34 members. Correspondence included thank you notes from the Shallotte Police Department, BFA for Hurricane Disaster Relief donation, and Family Emergency Teen Shelter for a donation.

Pledges were led by Public Issues CSP- Eileen Brown and Denise Moore.

Public Issues and Arts CSP united funds to presented Nick Micale \$100 for their Toys for Tots collection.

Guest Speaker – Public Issues CSP member Denise Moore, introduced Josh Torbich, the Director of Brunswick Christian Recovery Center. BCRC is a Christian based alcohol and substance abuse rehabilitation program. They provide a structured environment for help through spiritual growth. Their mission is providing the spiritual and educational tools necessary for a long-term recovery from the illness of addiction and the beginning of a successful life. Josh told his experiences with his organization and their current goals. They recently have had donated property to expand their current campus and are also trying to fund raise to purchase another property called the “Rose Campus” to house women. Public Issues CSP then presented Josh with a television for their new campus on behalf of the club.

The November minutes were APPROVED unanimously. A correction to the October minutes was made noting that the minutes and treasurer’s report we approved unanimously.

The Treasurer’s Report was presented by Beth Elliott, noting that at the end of November, the club had \$35,594.96. The Treasurer’s report was APPROVED unanimously.

Tammy noted that at the Executive Board meeting some funding requests were presented to be used from undesignated funds. The balance in undesignated funds is \$881.74. A request came from Cindy Hewett for \$300.00 for the Holiday Social at WBHS. This would help provide food for the staff. Kimmie Durham asked for \$100.00 for Tri-Beach Cruiser’s Toy Drive. This would sponsor a child, \$50.00 for clothes and \$50.00 for toys. A third request came from Susan Gibble to donate \$480.00 to Operation Smile in honor of our president Tammy Kesky. This would fund two surgeries. The motions were APPROVED unanimously.

Membership Business –

1. Thank you’s were given to those who participated in the Hot Chocolate & Cookie social at Autumn Care Assisted Living on December 5th, and to those who donated items to support the Hospice family of seven with Christmas gifts.
2. Tammy reported she applied on behalf of GFWC-SBI to the Brunswick County Chamber of Commerce for their upcoming Chairman’s Award Banquet in the category of “Community

- Impact”. The club was chosen as one of the three finalists with the winner to be announced at the event on Friday, January 18, 2019 at the Isles Restaurant. Tickets are \$50.
3. Tracking Healthy Women Project – Chris Angotti reminded clubwomen of the state project and then presented worksheets for completion at the meeting, so she could tabulate totals for reporting. The project focuses on healthy eating, wellness and exercise.
 4. Approve New Member Applications – Tammy noted the Executive Board approved the eight applications for completeness. New members are Cindy Cheatham, Laura Collins, Sandy Grundy, Jane Kreyling, Sue Lennon, Darlene Marll, Sheila Roberson, and Allison Williams. New members were APPROVED unanimously.
 5. Membership Pins – Tammy presented membership pins to Barb Stephens for 5 Years; and Tammie Lewis and Donna Trest for 30 Years.
 6. Club Awards – Cindy Hewett and Susan Gible presented the 2018 clubwomen awards.
 - Rookie of the Year – Ginny Varnum
 - Melon Corsini Clubwoman with Heart Award – Kimmie Durham
 - Kay C. Batten Congeniality Award – Chris Angotti
 - Brenda Register President’s Award – Beth Elliott (presented by President Tammy Kesky)
 - Judy Holden Citizenship Award – Eileen Brown
 - Polly Greenwood Russ Clubwoman of the Year Award – Tammy Kesky
 7. Clubwoman of the Month – Tammy presented this award to the entire sewing committee on behalf of the many projects completed this year. Members included Eileen Brown, Melon Corsini, Donna Trest, JoAnn Bass, Liz Gannaway, Chris Angotti and Beth Michelakis.
 8. CSP/Committee Reports –International Outreach CSP- Gerri Cox noted to date 434 pairs of shoes have been donated to Soles 4 Souls, one of GFWC grand initiatives. Arts CSP is partnering with SJWC to provide refreshments Jan 17th at Shallotte Presbyterian for Arts Festival. Cindy Hewett noted that District Arts Festival is February 9th in Whiteville. Souper Bowl is slated for February 2nd and Cindy was asking for a committee to help organize the event. Public Issues- Kate Bauer asked everyone to “Save the Date” for the Blood Drive that is set up for March 5th at the Mulberry Community Center on Mulberry Street in Shallotte. Home Life & Sewing committee made pillow cases for veterans and donated to Lower Cape Fear Hospice and sending some to military hospitals overseas.
 9. Tammy noted that sign-up sheets were set out for clubwomen to sign up for committees, hospitality, door prizes and devotions in 2019.
 10. Sunshine moments were shared by clubwomen.

Installation of 2019 Officers – Ann Landis, GFWC-NC President was the installing officer for the ceremony. Ann’s theme was based on shells and each shell presented identified with the qualities of the office.

Treasurer – Beth Elliott
Co-Treasurer – Ginny Varnum
Recording Secretary – Deana Milliken
Corresponding Secretary – Dayna Ramsey-Sanders
Second Vice President – Rainey Ashley
First Vice President – Kimmie Durham
President – Marie Marshburn

Tammy presented Ann Landis a thank you gift for her assistance. It was a clutch purse with seashell latch to coordinate with her installation theme.

Door prize was given by Ginny Varnum and won by Jennifer Kuhnemann.

Clubwomen recited the club collect and Tammy adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Mimi Gaither, Secretary