

Danville-Alamo AAUW Board Meeting Minutes for November 7, 2008

The following members were present:

Tena Gallagher, Pres.	Kathie Hixon, Co-Pres. Elect	Marian Bliss, Parliamentarian
Mary Mix, EF Co-VP	Cynthia Savell, LAF & Pub. Pol.	Jacque Schubert, Treasurer
Pat DeRensis, EYH	Nancy Murray, Program Co-VP	Carole Allen Program Co-VP

President Tena Gallagher called the Friday, November 7 board meeting to order at 9:45 at the Shadow Hills Cabana, 1001 El Capitan Drive, Danville. Pat DeRensis announced a sale to be held at the Bedford Gallery in Walnut Creek on November 15. Tena announced she is selling tickets for the Spirit of Danville evening. Tickets are \$5.00 each and AAUW receives that amount for each ticket sold.

Secretary (Marian Bliss for Dora-Thea Porter) The minutes of the October 3 board meeting were accepted and approved as e-mailed.

Treasurer (Jacque Schubert): Jacque passed out the Profit and Loss Statement for the period ending October 31, 2008, the Balance Sheet as of October 31, the Membership Brunch financials, and the final LAF-EF Annual Report. She is working on the branch tax returns. Jacque replaced a CD that recently matured with a new CD paying 3.4%. There was a discussion about the cost of drinks to be served at the Holiday Home Tour party. A motion made by Kathie Hixon was seconded and passed to request a \$5.00 donation per person attending the party to pay for wine.

Membership (Tena Gallagher): We now have 187 members. Tena expects that the home tour will result in several new members.

Program (Nancy Murray and Carol Allen): Carol and Nancy considered the October League of Women Voters to be a qualified success. There was a good turnout, however program was weak. They thought the Vote-Smart presentation too long and the League's presentation lacked depth. The next program will be in January. Joan Morris from the Contra Costa Times will speak.

Holiday Home Tour (Kathie Hixon and Tena Gallagher): Our home tour will have 5 homes: 3 in Diablo, 1 in Danville, and 1 in Blackhawk. There is a head docent assigned for each home. All are in the process of recruiting docents to work in the home. We sent out 1,544 cards advertising the home tour.

EF (Mary Mix): Work is continuing on the Garden Tour. Mary has 11 prospective gardens. She expects to have 6 or 7 on tour. Our branch had sent over \$15,000 to the Educational Foundation this year. Tena and others attended the EF luncheon held at Crow Canyon CC. They enjoyed hearing recent scholarship grantees speak.

LAF (Cynthia Savell): The November 18 general meeting will be a fundraiser for the Feather River College litigants and will feature their attorney, Dan Siegel of Siegel & Yee in Oakland. It will be at the Bighorn Grill in San Ramon. Cost for the facility and food is \$27 per attendee. We are charging \$35. Reservation checks should be made out to LAF-Danville-Alamo AAUW and sent to our P.O. Box in Danville. Cynthia presented information about the recent elections.

Nominating Committee: The nominating committee is composed of 5 members. Two are selected by the board prior to December 31, and three members selected by the general membership. The board selections made are Pat DeRensis and Marian Bliss. We will identify 3 others for this committee before the end of the year.

Business Cards (Tena Gallagher): Tena presented three potential business card formats. One of her alternatives was selected.

The Board Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m..

The next board meeting will be December 5 at 9:15 a.m., at the Shadow Hills Cabana.

Future meetings:

January 9

February 6

March 6

April 3

May 1

June 5

Respectfully submitted

Marian Bliss
(Acting Secretary)