



Program Meeting Minutes

August 25, 2020

- I. The meeting was called to order at 12:04 by President Traci Squarcette followed by the Altrusa Grace and the Pledge of Allegiance.
- II. No guests were in attendance.
- III. The accent, provided by Debra Hicks, was an update on Neema Village which is our international project. The mission of Neema Village is to care for babies, get them adopted out or get them returned to their families. They take care and educate the children, even make sure that adopted babies are cared for properly after adoption. They have a Mothers Against Poverty program, which helps mothers start businesses to provide for their families. They also offer a daycare for handicapped children. What began as a rented home has now become a village with many buildings, schools and much more.
- IV. Linda Moore and Chris Tolbert presented the program on the 2021 District Nine Conference, which is to be held April 16-18, 2021 at the Sheraton in Georgetown. Leadership luncheon will be Friday at noon and all attendees are invited. This is the 4th time that Temple has hosted the conference. The estimated price will be \$250 which will include all meals.
- V. Committee Reports
 - a. Service committee will meet tonight on Zoom.
 - b. 5th Tuesday social will be in September at Linda Schumann's farm.
- VI. Announcements
 - a. The fundraising committee will hold a meeting on September 1st at 5:30 at the CAC.
 - b. ASTRA – meetings are currently up in the air as to whether they can have in-person meetings.
 - c. Sign-ups for Wildcat Mentors will be sent out – background checks are required.
 - d. Debby Mabry is overseeing a “task force” to help District Nine move forward in the challenges we have ahead, especially regarding membership. Mary Black Pearson gave an update of this and plans for the district in the upcoming biennium.
 - e. AOY will be the program meeting in September.
- VII. Brags
- VIII. Following the Benediction, the meeting was adjourned at 12:59 pm.

Minutes submitted by Brenda Hill, 2020-2021, Recording Secretary