



Business Meeting Minutes

February 8, 2022

- I. The meeting was called to order at 12:01 by President Michelle DiGaetano followed by the Altrusa Grace and the Pledge of Allegiance.
- II. Dana Riegel introduced guests.
- III. Amy Hayes was initiated as a new member.
- IV. Linda Moore presented the Accent on the District Nine Conference which will be held in Georgetown and is hosted by the Temple club. Registration is online only.
- V. January business meeting minutes were approved as written.
- VI. Treasurer's report was presented by Donna Wright, reflecting the following as of 1-31-22: Admin account reconciled bank balance is \$5,311.65. Project account reconciled bank balance is \$15,954.72. Scholarship reconciled bank balance is \$20,271.32.
- VII. The Correspondence report was presented by Donna Wright.
- VIII. New business
 - a. Projects – the first five projects came from the Board, so no second is required on those.
 - i. Erica's Closet – \$1,500 and 40 man-hours. Members will purchase snacks and hygiene items and make these into kits. Motion carried.
 - ii. Days for Girls - \$600 and 100+ man-hours. Money is used to purchase fabrics and supplies for making reusable menstrual kits. Members also cut out, sew and package kits. Motion carried.
 - iii. Literacy Project Book Exchange - \$0 and 10 man-hours. Altrusans will bring books to a meeting and exchange books with other members. Remaining books will be donated to other literacy projects. Motion carried.
 - iv. Passion Project for February - \$0 and 20 man-hours. Members will bake and package cookies for the teacher's lounge at Travis Science Academy and employees at Ralph Wilson Youth Center in appreciation for all that they do. Motion carried.
 - v. Altrusa Loves our ER Nurses - \$250 and 20 man-hours. Altrusans will purchase and package goodies for the end of shift for nurses in the ER at Scott & White Hospital in appreciation for what they do. Dorothy Granfor made a motion to approve which was seconded. Julie Ruiz made a motion which was seconded to change the amount to \$1000. This amended motion carried. The overall motion carried.
 - vi. Ronald McDonald House Golf Tournament - \$0 and 16 man-hours. Members will assist at golf tournament benefiting Ronald McDonald House. Diana Zaremba made the motion to approve which was seconded. Motion carried.
 - vii. Signature Project #3 BCYC - \$500 and 6 man-hours. Altrusans will purchase items needed at BCYC, including treats and educational crafts and games. Debbie Fendrick made a motion to approve which was seconded. Motion carried.
 - viii. Kids Against Hunger - \$3,500 and 150 man-hours. Altrusans and ASTRA members will package food that is sent around the world to alleviate hunger. Debra Hicks made the motion to approve which was seconded. Motion carried.
 - ix. Signature Project for Kids – UMHB - \$500 and 10-15 man-hours. Altrusans will bring a Kona ice truck to UMHB campus. Members will also greet students and pass out

flyers on spring break safety. Dorothy Granfor made the motion to approve which was seconded. Motion carried.

- b. Traci Squarcette presented the new slate of officers for the upcoming Altrusa year. Tara Stafford-President; Brenda Hill-President-Elect; Michelle DiGaetano-Immediate Past President; Julie Ruiz-Vice President; Debbie Mead-Recording Secretary; Dana Riegel-Corresponding Secretary; Cyndi Warren-Treasurer; Co-Treasurer-Kelli Alsup. Lori Luppino-Director; Cindy Black-Director; Jennifer Adams-Director; Pam Abernathy-Director; Sharon Walzel-Parliamentarian. Foundation officers: Taryn Cox-President; Michelle DiGaetano-Immediate Past Club President; Brenda Hill-Club President Elect; Immediate Past Foundation President-Debra Hicks, Diana Zaremba, Sharon Schmidt, Marsha Oliver and Leticia Caraveo-Directors.
- c. Nomination of delegates to District Nine Conference-Debbie Mabry made a motion to cease nominations. Delegates are Tara Stafford, Michelle DiGaetano, Julie Ruiz, Brenda Hill and Traci Squarcette.

IX. Announcements

- a. The follow-up District Nine visit was presented by Michelle DiGaetano.
- b. Continue collecting books for the "Change One Million Lives, One Book at a Time" challenge.
- c. Presentation of items to Ronald McDonald House – January Passion Project.

X. Committee Reports

- a. Literacy project has a Zoom meeting tomorrow at noon.
- b. Service committee will meet on February 24 at 5:30.
- c. Deadline for international scholarships is March 15 and March 31 for the Temple club scholarships.
- d. Caring Ball is this coming weekend – anyone is welcome to help.

XI. Brags

XII. Following the Benediction, the meeting was adjourned at 1:22 pm.

Minutes submitted by Brenda Hill, 2021-2022, Vice-President for Jennifer Adams.