

PWI Minutes for Dec. 6, 2007 Meeting.

Present: B'Ann Dittmar, Carrie Melton, Tina Hyde, Jackie Richardson, Nancy Pedersen and Betty Fields

Absent: Melissa Conley, Mary Sheehan and Tara Hollander

Meeting called to order by B'Ann at 8:20 AM

B'Ann introduced Nancy Pedersen, our new Communications Director to the Board Members and did a round table with all present introducing themselves and their business affiliations.

Secretary Report: Betty distributed copies of November minutes to all present for review. Minutes were approved by Carrie and seconded by Jackie

Treasurer's Report: Tina informed everyone that she is no longer with U.S. Bank, but would like to stay on as treasurer provided we could conference her in on meetings when she is unable to attend due to being out of town. The Board agreed and wished Tina success in her new business endeavors. Tina's new email address is: tina.hyde.rsmi.com.

Tina reported that we are up to 100 members and distributed the Financial Report and reviewed it with everyone. She received a request for a donation for Galena's after Prom Party. It was decided by the Board that if we did it for one we would have to do it for all schools. Betty motioned to deny request for the donation and Jackie seconded.

Communication Director: Nancy said she had a meeting with Scott from Ad Hoc Marketing and was pleased with his willingness to work with our organization. He requested coming to our next Board meeting and discussing our needs and present some of his ideas and recommendations. The Board thought this was a good idea and he is slated to be present at our January meeting.

Nancy has been in communication with Lisa regarding the newsletter and the question came up if we want to duplicate information in the newsletter and the website. The board unanimously agreed that we should have the information both in our letters and our website. It was also decided to keep the schedule Rhonda set up for the newsletter and Portrait of a Lady. All communications regarding the newsletter should go directly to Lisa. Linda Rode was chosen for January.

Nancy volunteered to take pictures at the Candy Cane & Cocktails event for the website and January newsletter.

Discussion took place in regards to the membership directory. It was decided by the board that this should only be available to members and we would do a hard copy rather than have it posted to the website.

Membership Director: Melissa was not present due to the move to the New Hospital.

B'Ann suggested that in 2008 we do a welcome letter to our new members. It was also suggested that we include a brochure or flyer outlining the member benefits, luncheon dates, special events and how to get involved. All Board members present thought this was a great idea. This would be discussed further at the next meeting when Melissa is present.

Program Director: Carrie said everything was set for the Xmas Party and was thankful for all the support she received from her committee. Carrie asked if we could set a budget for her to use for guest speakers requiring a fee. After some discussion a motion was made to set the budget for \$1500/yr - \$500/cap per speaker. Motion was made by Betty to proceed with said budget and was seconded by Jackie.

B'Ann suggested that we do an honorarium for speakers not requiring a fee. The amount she suggested was \$50, this would cover gas and incidental expense. Betty motioned and Carrie seconded. Jackie opposed. The handling of the budget would be the responsibility of the Program Director.

The board also agreed to purchase books from speakers who were published and give as door prizes to members that were present at luncheon.

Carrie stated that she has confirmed Char Wenc for our annual meeting and the topic will be "Learning through Laughter".

Hospitality Director: Jackie stated that she has completed the contract for the Ramada for 2008 and with Eagle Ridge Resort & Spa for the June golf outing.

Co-President B'Ann stated that we would move the discussion for the Scholarship to the January meeting as Mary was not able to make the meeting and she was going to bring us some information on how the rotary scholarship is handled.

Next meeting is January 3rd at 8:15AM at U.S. Bank.  
Luncheon is January 9th at Ramada.