Women of the Pines
General Membership Meeting
March 15, 2023
Forest Creek Golf Club
Minutes

Welcome:

The General Meeting started at 12:07 p.m. at the Forest Creek Golf Club.
President Barbara Summers welcomed all to the meeting.
Thanks were given to our hostesses: Patti Talton and Connie Windham.

Prayer then Lunch

President Barbara Summers gave an Irish blessing. She thanked the staff at Forest Creek for our lunch and service.

Guest Speakers and Program

Valerie Mountcastle of the Program committee introduced Peggy Hendrix- Family Promise, Executive Director. Sarah Prestipino of the Program Committee introduced Richard Chatham- MIRA Foundation, Director. Both speakers were informative and provide a great service to the community.

Business Meeting

The Business meeting was called to order at 1:50 p.m.
The Treasurers report for February 2023 sent via email.
The February 15, 2023 meeting minutes were approved. Nancy Mack moved to accept the minutes and Mary Hilgenberg seconded the motion. Motion carried. The February minutes will be posted on our website under the Members section. You will also find the minutes from our other meetings there.

Membership: Barbara Summers

1st Visit:
Marion Grote guest of Mary Hilgenberg
Carol Krysevig guest of Mary Hilgenberg
Karen Roberts guest of Lauri Michelich
Trish St. Clair guest of Jennifer Nguyen

2nd Visit

Cecile Callis guest of Janice Davis
Ann Lane guest of Janice Davis
Danielle Kays guest of Cathy Bullock
Taylor Nordbury guest of Veronica Lloyd

3rd Visit and Joining Today

Pauline Nicopoulos sponsored and welcomed to the chapter by Lesa Measells. Our membership now stands at 75 members.

Old Business

Chair Kathy Newcomb gave a recap of Casino Night Recap. This was a very successful event netting $21,025. 74 after expenses. Kathy thanked all of the committees for all of their efforts. 60 thank you notes were sent out by Kathy and President Barbara Summers. There was also a thank you in The Pilot. All committee chairs were asked to fill out a post-event report.

Health Symposium- Glenda Kirby reported on the successful event. 100 people attended this. Four doctors:
Dr. William Harris
Dr. W. Miller Johnstone
Dr. Sushma Patel
Dr. Karen Sullivan
presented. Dr. Murphy was the moderator. All were very prepared and informative. This was a very positive influence for the WOTP to the community.

The Fashion Show was reported by Pauline Bruno upcoming in April. There will be raffle and mystery items. We are hoping to have 160 attendees.

A Job Fair was held before the meeting by the Nominating Committee headed up Pat Sykora. April 1 is the cut-off for the positions. The slate will be presented to the Board on May 10th and then to the membership on May 16.

Charitable Selection Committee- Kate Len gave the report for chair, Tina Arno. 17 applications were sent out. 11 have been completed. Some had to be re-sent. The committee will meet on April 25th to make their selections.

New Business
The Fashion Show for next year will be April 25th, 2024 at the Fair Barn. We will be celebrating 50 years for the Women of the Pines. This will allow us to have 200 or more in attendance for this event.
President Summers will be going to the Sandhills Woman's Exchange's Board to ask for October 21, 2023 for the Bake Sale.

All were asked to leave your name tags on the check in table. The next meeting on April 11th will be the Fashion Show. There will be no business meeting.

At 2:10 p.m. a Motion was made by Janice Davis to adjourn, with a second by Brenda Sorrese. The meeting was adjourned by President Summers.

Respectfully submitted
Marie Carbrey (interim secretary)