



NWHC Aggie Moms Club

Board Meeting
Tuesday September 3, 2019

Call to Order	Kara Merkel	Called to order 7:00
Invocation	Becky Schultz	Invocation given
Attendance	Members Present	Kim Zapalac, Karyn Friesen, Kiersten O'Malley, LaDonna Nobbe, Tammy Woodeshick, Melissa Weldon, Dawn Soukup, Martha Vehlewald, Kathy Ashmore-Hemann, Sue Robinson, Ramona Stehle, Dena Peavler, Anne Cline, Bonnie Vogt, Melinda Avilas, Laura Lawhon, Melissa Ross, Rhonda Steubing, Rebecca Schultz, Kara Merkel, Wendy Shair, Melissa Gardner, Denise Hutton, Jennifer Clark, Chrissy Spring, Olga Bautista
	Members Absent	Sarah Ross, Mary De Vos, Lucy Davis, Diane Cameron, Jessica Orbe, Samantha McGee, Pat Thompson, Tina Carroll, San Juana De LaGarza
Welcome Minutes	Kim Zapalac Tammy Woodeshick	There was one change to the distributed minutes. Minutes have been amended. Motion to accept minutes as amended Laura Lawhon, seconded Dena Peavler. All Approved
Treasurer Report	LaDonna Nobbe	
	Beginning Balance	\$11,475.66
	Total Income	\$ 4,771.49
	Total Expenses	\$ 1,230.15
	Net Income	\$ 3,541.44
	Current Bank Balance	\$15,017.10
	Discussion	LaDonna Nobbe asked the group if the individual fees for Square and Credit Cars needed to be broken down on the report. The answer was no. She also noted that the support on the version of QuickBooks we are using is ending and she would like to upgrade to the current cloud-based version at a cost of \$12 per month. Kiersten O'Malley moved that the club upgrade to the \$12 monthly subscription to QuickBooks for the upcoming year. Melissa Ross seconded. All approve.
		Sue Robinson asked about Square hardware for phone purchases for boutique. After discussion it was determined that we need 3 of the plug ins. LaDonna Nobbe will order them so they are available for Shop 'til you Drop on the 14 th of September. LaDonna Nobbe volunteered to set up the inventory in the Square app. Sue Robinson will provide a list of items and prices.
Membership Report	Dawn Soukup, Melissa Weldon	As of this meeting, we have 168 paid members. 17 others have registered on the website but have not paid. Dawn Soukup has



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Ways & Means **& Martha**
 Vehlewald
 Melinda Avilas

contacted them all. The Membership/sign in table lists will be organized so these folks can be targeted as they come to meetings. Hullabaloo Huddle: Melinda Avilas asked about logistics. Do we need to start selling tickets to the event at the next meeting? Discussion lead to there being no need to sell tickets. We just need to have a flyer.

Kiersten O'Malley stated that the party start time, game start time and silent auction end time need to be on the flyer. The back side should have the drink specials that we get extra money from and any shout outs to sponsors. The auction end time is at the end of the third quarter so there is enough time for everyone to settle and check out. LaDonna Nobbe will not be able to attend so she will get the change fund and the Square dongles to Kim Zapalac before the event on the 19th of October.

Melinda Avilas asked if we needed to get donation of baked goods. Discussion lead to there being no need. We would not be selling baked goods.

The donations requested from the club are a little light. They will still be accepting them at the September and October meetings. The community donations have been very abundant. One of the prizes donated is a game in a suite at Kyle.

Melissa Weldon asked for the donation letter to be sent to her so she could talk to her contact at Rtic for a prize donation.

Spring Event: Trivia night – The committee met and started planning. Finding a location that will allow us to bring in food, have alcohol and will hold about 250 people is the first item to be conquered. Wendy Shair asked if she still needed to contact the Sterling Country club in Stonegate. They would require us to purchase food as part of the event if we hold it there. Consensus was yes, but look at a menu of finger foods and snacks instead of a meal in the pricing. Also ask about Alcohol pricing. LaDonna Nobbe suggested we check on the Cypress Creek Community center. Tammy Woodeshick suggest the Tomball VFW.

Question of whether we can have alcohol at our events was brought up. Answer is yes. We had mimosa's at China luncheon in the past so it is ok.



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The trivia night would be a ticketed event. Individual tickets and entire table tickets will be sold.

Kendra Scott Give Back: September 26th from 6:00p to 8:00p. The Woodlands store. Phone in orders will be accepted during the day as well. Kim Zapalac has flyers printed to place on the chairs at the September 10th meeting as a reminder. Board volunteers are needed to attend. Kim Zapalac passed around a sign-up sheet.

Round Top Give Back: The Round Top collection will be doing a give back event our club the weekend of October 26-27th. They extended the give back due to this being a game weekend. There is opportunity for shopping on the way to the game and on the way home. They are doing an event for the Katy Aggie Moms this weekend as well. Flyers will be on the chairs at the October meeting. Bonnie Vogt asked for copies of all flyers to be sent to her as well for posting on social media outlets, next door etc.

Communication **Laura Lawhon,
& Melissa Ross**

Laura Lawhon asked everyone to look over the webpage and if there were any items that needed attention to let her know. Melissa Ross reported that there are 235 members on our Facebook page with 41 waiting approval.

Programs **Kathy Ashmore-
Hemann**

The Galveston Yell leaders are booked for the September meeting. Karyn Friesen will make a slide with the War Hymn words and music embedded for Kim Zapalac’s meeting presentation.

Boutique **Sue Robinson,
Ramona Stehle
& Dena Peavler**

Sue Robinson informed us that because we were under the umbrella of the Federation of Texas A&M Mother’s clubs, we can use the university logo on any items we sell. This mean we can do logos on the clear bags we will be personalizing at Shop til You Drop and Parents weekend. Karyn Friesen mentioned that we had talked about not selling the clear bags at family weekend because other clubs were selling them as well. Sue Robinson said that ours would be personalized on the spot and that they should sell well. She showed three more game day compliant sample bags that we can use as well. They will be available in different colors to appeal to fans of other sports teams as well (Astros, Texans). The beaded earrings that were introduced to our inventory sold well at the last general meeting will be included at Shop til You Drop. We want to have 20 trees made so we need to make 9 more to add to the 11 we have assembled. All the broken/damaged inventory needs to be fixed and we need to have all the frames decked out in traditions pieces for Shop til You Drop.

An email will go out to everyone reminding them of the shift they volunteered to work.



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Crafty Moms – Karyn Friesen will send out a Remind alert to the club about the volunteer opportunity on Sunday to finish up the crafty items. Melissa Ross will post on Facebook and Kim Zapalac will send out an Evite. Time is from 2:00 to 5:00 at Wayne Enterprises. Melissa Weldon offered to take traditions pieces to work on at home as she is not able to attend on Sunday.

Social Events

Tina Carroll & Chrissy Spring

Book Club has started. The social event for September is on the 28th at the printing museum. Starts at 10:00 and the cost is \$5 per person.

**Discussion –
New Business**

LaDonna wanted expressed how wonderful the meeting was with our Ways and Means chairs. They are doing such and awesome job!

Facebook – Our page is currently a closed page and to join you must be a paying member of the club. This does not allow us to share our fundraising events outside of the group. Kara Merkel commented that it would be helpful in reaching a broader audience. Kim Zapalac agreed and commented that a broader audience would benefit the club. Kiersten O'Malley mentioned the importance of monitoring the membership for advertisers and trolls if the status is changed. The group will have 4 administrators. The Communications Board member, a membership representative, the president, and a backup to monitor the page. A motion to change the status of the Facebook page from Closed to private was made by Laura Lawhon, seconded by Melissa Ross. Majority vote for approval. Laura Lawhon will change the information on the website to reflect the membership rules for the Facebook Page. Melissa Ross will look at the screening questions and edit as appropriate.

General Meeting Agenda - Kim Zapalac asked that all members who are on the General Meeting agenda be prepared to do a very short report out to the membership. We want to make sure the business part of the meeting is short so members have time to socialize, shop, and to visit the tables.

LaDonna Nobbe asked about giving additional raffle tickets for members who bring potential members to the meetings. No decision was made on this. Additional tickets are given for helping with crafty moms and bringing food for pot luck.

Federation Meeting – Karyn Friesen talked about the fall meeting. The Friday night dinner was held at the George Bush Library. Attendees were able to tour the museum and grounds after the speakers. Two great speakers talked to the group. The meeting was held on Saturday and not a typical meeting. All proposed changes to the bylaws were



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reviewed and approved. Specialized breakouts were held after the general meeting.

Aggie Mom Camp – Tammy Woodeshick talked about a couple of the fun events planned for the weekend. She mentioned that if you are interested in going you need to get your registration in quickly as spots are filling up fast. There will be a dinner on Saturday night in the Hall of Champions at Kyle Field. You can purchase tickets for your Aggie to join you if you would like.

Fundraisers – Becky Schultz received clarification on Raffles. We can do two raffles per calendar year. They cannot overlap each other and cannot span across two calendar years. She also mentioned that the Hotel gift shop is still looking for hand made items from Mom’s clubs to sell. Kim Zapalac told the group that she had submitted a frame for them to consider.

Diane Gray, Past President – Flowers were sent on behalf of the club for her passing. If you would like to contribute funds to help with the cost, please reach out to Connie Pritchard. Any funds raised in excess of the cost of the flowers will go towards a fund for a scholarship in her name.

Kim Zapalac introduces a program that she would like to start called Stroke Notes. She is using the president’s question box and asking members to write down good things they see happening or compliments they would like to pay to others in the group. She will, from time to time, pull them from the box and read them to the group.

Care package **Kathy Hemann**

Hospitality **Anne Cline**

Spirit of Service **Olga Bautista**

Publicity **Bonnie Vogt**

**Meeting
Adjourned**

Sign up sheets will be placed at the sign in table at the meeting. We have good sign ups for our next meeting.

Items collected for this month’s beneficiary will be delivered next Saturday. Anyone able to help please let Olga Bautista know.

Bonnie asked for flyers for each of our events to be sent to her so she can post them on the appropriate media outlets.

Motion to Adjourn Sue Robinson, seconded by Dena Peavler. Meeting adjourned.