

Fortuna Tierra Club Meeting Minutes June 8, 2015

The Fortuna Tierra Club (FTC) Meeting was called to order by President, Irene Stith at 3:45 PM. at the home of Cher Mitton. There were a total of 19 people present for the meeting: 15 current FTC members, 1 former FTC member (who plans to rejoin), and 3 guests (2 of who plan to join): Vonnie Kuijvenhoven, Wendy Fenner and Susan Watson.

- A motion made by Cher Mitton and seconded by Kathy McLallen to accept the Minutes from last meeting without corrections was passed by club members present.
- Since Treasurer, Lauren Kraft is still in Texas, Kathy Heinrichs read the Treasurer's report which was accepted and filed.
- There was no Secretary's Report given by Claudia Wolff

Committee Reports:

Philanthropic: Cher Mitton gave the scholarship report. This year FTC gave out a total of \$8,000 for 9 scholarships: 6 to graduating seniors from Ridgway High School and 3 continuing education scholarships to past Ridgway High School graduates. The 6 graduating seniors receiving scholarships are: Haley Burgess, Rane Dickerson, Alexis Dimault Darcy, Patrick Felberg, Sabine Lindler, and Quinlin McNatt. The three continuing education scholarships are: Bryan Felberg, Leta McNatt, and Christopher Williams.

Compassion: Lil Frederickson was not present. Elaine Weyers was present at the meeting and is recovering from neck surgery. Carol Jancar fell and broke her hip and is doing rehabilitation at the hospital.

Club Operations: Shelly Bennett did not have anything new to report.

Fund Raising: The question was brought up again as to whether or not FTC wants to have a golf fund raiser this year. Roze Evans suggested that if FTC stops doing a fund raiser, even if it is for only a year, the momentum for FTC to raise more money will stop, and it will become harder to rekindle the energy and desire to do future fund raisers. Fund raisers have been a vital part of FTC for many years. A motion was made by Kathy Heinrichs and seconded by Sharon Kreutzen to continue having a golf tournament fund raiser this year. The vote taken by those members present was unanimous to have a golf tournament fund raiser on Saturday, September 5 from 8:30 AM – 1:00 PM. Roze Evans graciously stepped up to oversee the fund raiser, if she could get a number of volunteers to help her. Sharon Kreutzen will head up organizing the golf tournament, Mary Ann Guilinger will do publicity, Peggy Spindler will do the Silent Auction, and Alicia Sheppard will call sponsors. Four volunteers will be needed to check in golfers. Some volunteers will be needed to stuff envelopes and decorate tables.

New Business:

- Claudia Wolff asked for volunteers to sit at the upcoming Artists' Alpine Holiday Show in Ouray on Thursday, August 6.
- Roze Evens made a motion and Kathy McLallen seconded it to give Kathy Heinrichs \$100 that she requested to buy school supplies. The motion passed.
- Roze Evans announced that Mary Anne Guilinger has volunteered to do the FTC website.
- Sue Wiens spoke on the behalf of Stephanie West who is moving and is looking for someone or perhaps FTC to take over Ridgway Cares. Anyone interested can call Stephanie West.
- Irene Stith announced that she has at least 60 FTC Cookbooks to either sell for \$5.00 each or give away.

- A guest and prospective new member, Wendy Fenner, spoke on behalf of the Ridgway Elementary School play ground project. At the next FTC Meeting, Cher Mitton, as head of Philanthropy, will bring up the possibility of FTC giving some money to the play ground project.
- Shelly Bennett suggested FTC should not advertise that the money from our fund raiser will only go to scholarships. That way other local causes, such as the play ground project, can also receive some FTC money.

Birthdays and Anniversaries for April, May and June were announced.

The meeting was adjourned at 5 P.M. and refreshments were enjoyed by all members.

Respectively submitted,
Claudia Wolff – Secretary