

FORTUNA TIERRA CLUB MINUTES
FEBRUARY 12, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 10:22 a.m., at the home of Marsha McCall. Co-president, Mary Miller presided, assisted by co-president, Sue Wiens.

Good News: Irene Stith reports feeling better.

Roll Call: There were 23 members present and one guest who joined, Deb Yoder.

Minutes: On a motion made by Marsha McCall, seconded by Marti O'Leary, the minutes of the last meeting were accepted.

Treasurer's Report: Laureen Kraft read the Treasurer's Report. The ending bank balances as of January 31, 2013: Checking: \$2,007.61; Savings: \$10,004.42; 4-year CD - \$30,000.00, for total funds of \$42,012.03 Allocated funds: Emergency Fund - \$5,000.00; Net Available funds of \$37,012.03. On a motion made Lillian Fredericksen, seconded by Cher Mitton, the report was accepted as presented.

Secretary's Report and Correspondence: None

Committee Reports:

Newsletter and Member Book: Roze Evans reported changes can be made to the membership book and newsletter since we will be printing our updates online.

Club Operations: No report

Compassion Committee: No report

Fundraising Committee: Absent a fundraising chair, Stephanie West, president of the DRC Women's Golf Association, updated us on the DRC-WGA's potential for the annual golf invitational to be held in July. She reminded us that this event is sponsored by the women's golf association with a portion of the proceeds going to FTC for the scholarship in its name. As in the past, FTC will provide support to the golf tournament organizers. Mary Jane Abrahamson was quite concerned there will not be water for the course, but Stephanie feels confident there will be some form of a fundraising golf event.

Without making proper changes to our procedures, the club voted to have two chairs for each potential fundraising event to be held in 2013.

A motion made by Stephanie West that we participate in the golf invitational was seconded by Laureen Kraft. The motion passed.

Stephanie West discussed the various opportunities to sell crafts at the 4-H Craft Fair. She suggested that the members provide the labor to make products to sell and that FTC would buy the necessary materials for the members. A motion made by Pat Montgomery that we participate in the 4-H Arts & Crafts Fair held in November was seconded by Cher Mitton. The motion passed. After much discussion, a motion was made by Irene Stith that we not hold a home tour for 2013. Seconded by Sue Wiens, the motion passed.

Roze Evans made a motion for a sign-up sheet to be passed around for members to sign up to volunteer to serve on each of the fundraisers. Seconded by Mary Jane Abrahamson, the motion carried.

Philanthropic Committee: Stephanie Gregory reviewed last year's scholarship awards and will discuss this year's scholarship awards at our March meeting. She discussed the elimination of the Dorothy B. Klinger Scholarship due to Larry Klinger's passing away without providing an

endowment and re-naming the existing FTC scholarship the Fortuna Tierra Founder's Scholarship, in honor/memory of the women who started FTC. Irene mentioned we had previously voted on this. Irene and Susan Watson will check the minutes for the details of this vote. Stephanie West moved to officially change the DBK Scholarship to be called the FTC Founder's Scholarship. The motion was seconded by Lillian Fredericksen. Motion passed. Stephanie Gregory will begin scholarship interviews in April with awards being made in May.

Old Business: Mary need to the club to officially vote to change procedures to allow for the changes in club meeting time. On a motion made by Rena Gunn, the new procedures will read that our club meetings will begin at 10:00 a.m. or as decided by the hostess. Seconded by Stephanie Gregory, the motion passed.

Lauren Kraft discussed dues collections and on a motion made by Stephanie West, dues will now be collected at our fist meeting in January with prior notification going to members the previous month. Seconded by Marti O'Leary, the motion passed.

Discussion on the FTC Cookbooks was whether to reduce them 50% to \$5.00 each and sell the remaining inventory, or to try to sell them at the upcoming fundraising events in 2013. Discussion will continue.

New Business: On a suggestion made by Cher Mitton, the club has voted to purchase a small banner to be used at fundraising events to identify our organization. The motion was made by Pat Montgomery to purchase a banquet-sized banner. Seconded by Roze Evans, the motion passed.

Mary Miller updated the members on the plans for the April meeting to be held at the Garden Center in Delta, followed by a spring planting presentation by the staff at the garden center. Sue Wiens and Marsha McCall are discussing the possibility of an afternoon hike. More details about this at the March meeting.

After a brief break, Roze Evans and Rena Gunn made a presentation on the possibilities of creating our own website. After discussion, Stephaine Gregory made a motion that we pursue the options. Seconded by Lil Fredericksen, the motion carried.

February Birthdays and Anniversaries were read.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:03 p.m. after which Rena Gunn presented a book review of, "Wild," written by Cheryl Strayed.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Watson, Secretary

