

## NCJW Board Meeting September 11, 2019 (with corrections)

Attendance: Gail Gelber, Susan Schwartz, Helene Askinazi, Nadine Kaplan, Merle Bassin, Carol Lubin, Diane Wortman, Lynne Eisman, Judy Traub, Rita Young, Rona Goldstein, Gail Siegel, Sophie Berkner, Robin Davis, Susan Deitch, Sarah Rothschild, Rona Sterling, Caren Freigenberg, Sarajane Feinsilver, Linda Finkelstein

Meeting was called to order at 9:33am.

May 2019 minutes were approved by Sara Rothschild and Caren Freigenberg

Treasurers Report: Sophie Berkner stated that there is approximately \$225,000.00 in the bank. See report for actual funds.

President: Rona Sterling discussed Directors vs. VP's vs. Chairs. A census was taken and was decided that directors and chairs advise and assist. The vice president of the programs has the final say.

Administration: Rona Sterling stated per the by-laws, volunteers may be non-members but if they have any financial responsibility they must be required to be a member. The discussion was tabled to change this until the by-law is rewritten.

Nominating Committee: Susan Schwartz advised that at the next board meeting she will ask for volunteers for the committee.

Evaluation Committee: Gail Siegel advised that some of the community service programs need to be reorganized. One recommendation was Judy Traub needs a co-vp.

Communications: Helene Askinazi stated that the new web site is almost ready to be launched. Included in this is the new payment system for events. Linda Finkelstein will be able to pull names out to see who has paid for the event. Ann Slakter is a new member who will be writing articles for the media. Press releases go to Helene first for verification.

There is a tab on the website: Resource Library which will contain tutorials and webinars. In the next newsletter there will be a hyperlink for education on these.

Also discussed was NCJW is not in the Facebook advertising business. For any advertising there should be a page showing the company's support for our programs only.

On the politicization of NCJW, we can support a sitting politician but cannot support a candidate running for office. If a sitting politician is re-running for office, we cannot support the candidate.

Per National, we must maintain a Jewish style menu for events.

Holiday Baskets: Robin Davis stated letters have been sent out to synagogues requesting the number of baskets needed and number of recipients in each household.

Special Events: Linda Finkelstein has written 5 grants. Flyers have been given out for the card party and emails were going to be sent on 9/12. The Literary Luncheon will be held January 6, 2020.

For Women in Power, 4 videos will be sent by email to all members during various months prior. They will also be put on our Facebook page. Susan Schwartz advised Joel Lubin will do the place cards.

Human Trafficking: Judy Traub and Helene Askinazi met with the Jewish Community Relations Council to promote education and awareness of human trafficking. See board report. **Motion approved by Judy Traub and seconded by Rona Goldstein. There was also a motion approved by Judy and seconded by Linda Finkelstein for a larger rental unit for LIFT items.**

Advocacy: Caren Freigenberg nothing new to report.

Weekend Pantry: Diane Wortman stated per the State of Florida the school pantry is considered a company store and we don't need Workmen's Comp. Insurance. A new certificate for the state should arrive within 30 days.

Breaking Bread: see board report

KCC: Sarah Rothschild and Susan Deitch opened a new closet at Palmetto Elementary school. Two plaques will be hung in honor of the donor.

Three grants were applied for: Quantum Foundation, \$5,000.00 for personal products, Admirals Cove, \$6,000.00 to replenish 2 schools, and Ballenises, \$20,000.00 for 1 new closet and to restock 5 schools.

Membership and Retention: Merle stated Joanne Sininsky would like to change her birthday program from email to printed cards. Nadine Kaplan will speak to her to clarify the program.

Community Outreach: see board report.

Good and Welfare: Diane Wortman stated she's impressed by the cohesiveness of our organization.

Gail Siegel noted that long time member, Marji Bessen recently passed away. Nadine will send a tribute card from the Board.

Meeting adjourned at 11:35. **Motion was made by Sarah Rothschild and seconded by Caren Freigenberg.**

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Gelber

