

San Antonio Texas A&M University Mothers' Club
Executive Board Meeting of Tuesday, January 27, 2009

I. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Mina Marsden at 6:39 P.M. at the Student Prospective Center.

II. INVOCATION: Amy Gillespie offered our invocation.

III. MINUTES: The November minutes were approved pending minor changes. The corrected minutes will be sent out to all members.

IV. REPORTS:

- 1. President's report:** Mina spoke of changes to the Federation bylaws. It was voted on to change the date of the winter meeting to the weekend after the Spring semester starts. In April, we will have six voting delegates to vote on the bylaws. She distributed federation forms to the appropriate Board members.

- 2. Ways and Means:**

- 2. Treasurer's report:** Marla distributed copies of the Treasurer's Report to all and reported that our financial condition is accurate and well-documented. She now has 87 Sweetheart Dinner reservations.

- 3. Membership:** Kathy reported that we gained 3 more memberships and we now have 226 members. We need to keep recruiting as a year-round project. She has spent none of her budgeted money. Attendance was good last month. It typically drops off in the spring months so we will watch out for that.

- 4. Favorites:** T Bars were soldered and polished by Barbara Bentley's son and Pat will send a \$20 gift card to him in lieu of her gift card donation for the January meeting. Pat sold \$601 in outside sales. James Avery received a letter from Texas A&M licensing department in regards to the change in the A&M logo. James Avery was told they could not produce any products after 12-1-08 that had the previous graphic offering. We presently have 2 gold pieces on lay-a-way that need production. The letter said the licensee needed to destroy any inventory in their possession with the previous graphic design made after 7-1-09. James Avery gave an initial quote of \$10,000 to have a new mold made with the new design. Pat was going to hand carry our present jewelry line by James Avery and Alonso to the A&M licensing department to seek approval of the old graphic design since there was little change. If the response from A&M is negative, we will elicit the help of Aggie Moms Federation to lobby for a waiver on these two product lines because of the Aggie Moms Clubs being exempt from licensing rules in the past.

5. Newsletter: Ginger did “save the date” postcards on the golf/tennis Tournament and mailed them out. She handed out copies of the brochures to The Board members and sent it to TJ to put it on our website. The February Newsletter was emailed to Janie and went in the mail on January 22.

6. Publicist:

7. Cares:

8. Scholarships: No report.

9: Social:

10: Webmaster:

11: Yearbook:

12. Cheers: Mary suggested that she operate a small “garage sale” table at the next meeting and all proceeds would go directly to the club. If it is successful we may continue it each month.

13: Historian:

14: Nominations: Loretta wants everyone to respond back to her with what Board function you want to assume responsibility for. She asked each one of us to write down our own personal description of our board jobs so they might be more easily explained to new people that will do those jobs in the future. She will request nominations at the Sweetheart Dinner and will have a slate of nominees for the March meeting. Loretta gave an update on the Bylaws Committee that is working on an update to the bylaws to allow Board members to keep their position longer than two years. The bylaws will be voted on by the membership at the April meeting.

V. OLD BUSINESS: No old business was discussed.

VI. NEW BUSINESS: The A&M band will be in the Battle of Flowers Parade and the Aggie Moms’ Club is responsible for providing desserts in the meal for the band. Dr. Murano will be at Aggie Park on February 13 and it is sponsored by three clubs: A&M Club, Aggie Wives and Aggie Moms’ Club. The dinner will be at 7:30 and program at 8:00. Tickets are \$30.00 for members and \$45.00 for non-members. They expect approximately 300-350 people.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 1) The Parson Mounted Calvary will participate in the Longhorn Cattle Drive to start off the Rodeo this coming Saturday.
- 2) Aggie Moms are invited to the women’s basketball game on January 28.
- 3) On February 13, Coach Jackie Sherrill will be at a 12th Man Foundation function.
- 4) The singing cadets will be in San Antonio on March 6 and we need 8 more homes to host them.
- 5) We have received thank you cards from Hurricane Ike victims.

- 6) We have received notice of someone with 6 rooms to rent at A&M and a contractor in College Station trying to sell his town houses.
- 7) The Vet School would like for us to donate some money.
- 8) The Traditions Council wants us to sponsor the “Run for the Ring.”

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn was made by Amy Gillespie and seconded by Mary Murphy. Meeting was adjourned at 8:01 P.M.

Marian Bownds
Recording Secretary

Attachment: Attendance Roster

Date Minutes Approved: _____