

Henderson Business & Professional Women's Club

Meeting Minutes
November 21, 2013

CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

The regular meeting of the Henderson Business & Professional Women's Club was called to order at 6:30 pm on November 21, 2013 by President Marty Smith. After the invocation, members enjoyed dinner at Maria Parham Medical Center.

Members present were Marty Smith, Val Short, Diane White, Arline Richardson, Marsha Abbott, Bernice Barchan, June Blanks, Michelle Evans, and Maria Bailey. We also enjoyed the company of our guest speaker, Twanna Jones from ACTS of Henderson and Joyce Howard-Fritz.

INTRODUCTION OF GUEST SPEAKER

Our guest speaker was introduced by Bernice Barchan. Mrs. Twanna Jones has been with ACTS, Area Christians Together in Service, for almost 18 months and heads the center located on Chestnut Street. She brings with her a passion for the services that she offers to the people in need in Vance County and other areas.

The center provides over 100 meals a day to residents in need and offers hot meals on Monday through Friday of each week. The center also offers a soup kitchen and delivers meals through the Meals on Wheels program to 41 recipients. She helped coordinate a summer feeding program for students in addition to the services already offered to the residents in our area. The summer program offered breakfast and lunch to students and their families. The ACTS facility also offered opportunities for teachers to come in and do lessons with school aged children throughout the summer months. Items were distributed through the ACTS efforts to local nursing home in the community. Those items consisted of socks, cakes and flowers.

Mrs. Jones has helped many people in her time with the ACTS position. She has helped 8 people get into recovery programs for addiction. She states that the position is such a rewarding position that she truly believes that God has placed her in this position for a reason. She offers encouragement to people that they can live beyond today's living conditions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes were reviewed from the October 17, 2013 monthly meeting. One correction was noted to change the balance date on the treasurer's report to 10/17/2013. Arline motioned to approve and Marsha motioned as a second.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Arline Richardson gave the financial report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

<i>Beginning Balance 10/17/2013</i>	<i>\$928.90</i>
Deposits	+165.00
Disbursements	-196.50
Balance 11/21/2013	\$897.40

OLD BUSINESS

December Community Project - Nonperishable items will be collected at the December meeting to be delivered to Lifeline.

December Meeting – Maria Bailey has offered to host the event on December 11, 2013 at 6:00. Her address is 205 Bellwood Drive, Henderson. It will be the 3rd house on the left. Please bring a covered dish and a \$10.00 gift.

Fundraiser – Maria has graciously offered to crochet an afghan that will be raffled off at the December Christmas Meeting. Tickets will be sold for \$1.00 each or 6 tickets for \$5.00. The drawing will be held on December 11, 2013.

NEW BUSINESS

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Michelle announced the January BPW/NC Women Empowered& Enlightened Event to be held on January 24, 2014 in Carrboro. There will be a host of speakers and lots of entertainment on Friday evening.

Speakers are still needed for January, February, March and April meetings. Please contact Kathy with suggestions.

ADJOURNMENT AND COLLECT

Meeting was adjourned by Marty Smith. The next general meeting will be at 6:30 pm on January 16, 2014 at Maria Parham Medical Center. Please note the next meeting will be held in the J.T. Church Classroom which is located on the lower floor of the hospital next to the auditorium.

COLLECT

Keep us, O God, from pettiness;
let us be large in thought, in word, in deed.

Let us be done with fault-finding
and leave off self-seeking.

May we put away all pretense and
meet each other face to face--without
self-pity and without prejudice.

May we never be hasty in judgment
and always generous.

Let us take time for all things;
make us to grow calm, serene, gentle.

Teach us to put into action our
better impulses, straightforward and unafraid.

Grant that we may realize it is the
little things that create differences,
that in the big things of life we are at one.

And may we strive to touch and
to know the great common human heart
of us all, and O Lord God,
let us forget not to be kind.

Mary Stewart