



Hillcrest Committee Meeting January 13, 2025

President Rebekah McAnally called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm. There were 30 members present. Rebekah thanked Dixie for opening her home for the meeting and extended her appreciation to the hors d'oeuvres committee.

Old Business

Meeting Minutes:

Anne Jantzi moved to approve the November 2024 meeting minutes as presented. Megan Purdy seconded. The meeting minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer-Elect Lauren Mc Dermott, sitting in for Treasurer Carrie Robertson, reported on the Statement of Activity and the Ball revenue/expenses. The Ball expenses stayed within budget. The total revenue was \$246,065.68 and the total Ball expense was \$27,393.92. There are still \$3500 in other donations that have not been added yet in addition to possibly a few small expenses. Greater Giving costs were higher.

Hospitality/Yellow Rose Report:

Lara David delivered a yellow rose to Patti and Doug Diehl. She will also be delivering one to Jessica in honor of her mom Carol Hamlin, a former member of Hillcrest.

Correspondence Report:

Per Megan Rea, there was no correspondence to report.

Database Report

Per Karen Porschet-Miller, no update to report.

Rebekah gave a website update. They found a web designer who can work within our budget. He will work with our Website Committee on the project. Some ideas for a color scheme were presented. Yellow would be nice to use as a reference to our yellow roses. Gold was also suggested as it's been used on our t-shirts in the past.

Nohea Phillips reported by text about the Film Noir party which was held in November. The food prepared by members was great and the entertainment was a huge hit. She thanked her committee and everyone who cooked.

New Business

Rebekah received resignation letters from Dana Smith, Cindy Prewitt, Laura Weiland, Anne Jantzi, and Jessica Thorpe (resignation received by email just after the meeting). Dana, Cindy, and Anne will be Excalibur's. All are appreciated and will be missed greatly.

Upcoming Parties

Members are reminded to reach out to other members if they need to switch dates for cooking or working parties. Once you have found your replacement, please let Paula Carroll know so she can update the list. Newly elected members start cooking for parties/meetings in September.

Ball Report- Love Out Loud

Sue and Dana reached out to the Ball committee chairs with some wrap-up questions and instructions on updating the chair binders. They asked if members liked the way they had the photo opportunity presented this year (i.e.: no professional photographer at the backdrop). Student volunteers used attendees' cell phones to take pics. Yes, people liked that. Sue and Dana would like to see more photos uploaded to the website through the QR code. A discussion was had as to how to make the QR code visible in more places. Members said they enjoyed the food as well. One member suggested we consider asking student volunteers to help clean up at the end of the Ball. Members said Sue, Dana, Rebekah, and Dr. Rizvi did a wonderful job speaking at the Ball. They would like to see Dr. Rizvi give his informative speech each year. Sue and Dana ended their Ball report by thanking all of the members for their contributions and by thanking each committee chair with a gift for leading their committee.

The next meeting will be on March 3rd. We still need a host for this event.

President Rebekah McAnally adjourned the meeting at 6:19 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cristie Fairbanks
Recording Secretary