Junior League Eau Claire General Membership Meeting February 23, 2010

## I. Call to Order and Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by President Kate Gillett at Trinity Equestrian Center. Kate welcomed everyone and thanked the Equestrian Center for allowing us to host our meeting there.

## II. Review of Minutes

The minutes were reviewed by the members. Jill Fenn made a motion to approve the minutes as is and Laurie Klinkhammer seconded. The minutes were approved.

# **III.** Council Reports

## A. Membership

Jill Fenn gave the membership update. The Provisionals have set a date for the Community Table event, which will be held on Friday, June 4<sup>th</sup>. The Provisional Directory is coming along nicely and all the Provisionals are helping out with Celebration of Women with will be May 11<sup>th</sup> at the Florian Garden.

Jill also mentioned that the VP of Membership position would be open for the 2010/2011 year. It you are interested contact Jill Fenn or Kate Gillett.

# **B.** Community

Sadie Gunderson gave the update for community events. Kids in the Kitchen project will kick off its 3<sup>rd</sup> year on Friday, March 5<sup>th</sup> and will continue on every Friday in March. This project works with the Boys and Girls Club and is our signature project. Kids in the Kitchen helps address childhood obesity. Again, Scheels donated a bike to be raffled off on the last Friday.

Celebration of Women will be held on May 11<sup>th</sup> at the Florian Garden. Tickets will be \$25 for dinner/speaker. The planning for this event is well under way.

Linda Bocheck spoke about Dental Sealant. She said they 2/3rds of the way through and still have lots of needs and is looking for more funds. They will be presenting to the Board of Health for more funds. Volunteers are needed for March 5<sup>th</sup>, April 9<sup>th</sup>, April 23<sup>rd</sup> and April 30<sup>th</sup> 8:30 – 11:00 a.m. Email Linda Bocheck is you are interested in helping out.

Susan Jewett spoke about the Chippewa Valley Free Clinic and passed around the sign up sheet.

ECRAC volunteers are still needed to get in our 250 hours, which goes towards our JLEC office rent. The committee is still looking at options, perhaps a space the will be free. The space just has to be big enough to store photos, have a phone line and able to receive mail. If you have good feed back contact the committee.

Sadie talked about creating t-shirts to help advertise JLEC especially when we are at events. She also gave a brief description of her position on the board as V.P. of Community.

# C. Finance

Laurie Klinkhammer passed the budget sheet around and said there have been few changes.

Mandy Brash reminded us that there are cookbooks and montages still available at \$15 each. Please make checks payable to: JLEC. Liz Kennedy-Weichert is working on securing a Benefit with Sandy from Dessert First. This event will be for 2-4 days with 10% of all sales going to JLEC. They date has not been set but, thinking April. Liz is also working on another Burracho's Benefit night.

Also, start thinking about JLEC 80<sup>th</sup> year. We are looking to plan an event that will celebrate this. The 80<sup>th</sup> year starts in March of 2010.

Mandy gave a description of her position on the board as V.P. of Finance.

#### **D.** Communications

Laurie Klinkhammer spoke for Cyndi Postlewaite. Cyndi it looking for articles and pictures to add to the newsletter and website. Laurie also, gave a description of the V.P. of Communications position, which will be open for the 2010/2011 year.

#### **IV.** President's Report

Kate Gillett reminded us that Placement is coming up in April at the Riverside Plaza hosted by Phyllis Madson. Start thinking about upcoming placement and Board Positions. If you have questions contact one of the Board Members.

Kate spoke about bringing back Bunko for next year. Looking to host this event in the fall as a new member kick-off. Sadie Gunderson made a motion and Vickie Sanders seconded. The motion was passed.

Marianne Klinkhammer is a member on the R&D Committee. She spoke about the Giving Tree project which would involve the to bring items to each GMM that would be on needs list for example the Beacon House. The R&D committee would deliver these items each month to the place that was chosen. Marianne Klinkhammer made a motion to move forward with the Giving Tree and Laurie Klinkhammer seconded. The motion was passed. A list will be emailed in March.

Marianne Klinkhammer also, talked about the upcoming Scrabble Bee. This event is looking for word waders and also, funds from JLEC to sponsor a table. They are suggesting \$350 for this event. Marianne Klinkhammer made a motion and Linda Bocheck seconded and the motion was passed.

## V. Adjournment

Next meeting will be March 23rd at ECRAC.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.