Junior League Eau Claire

General Membership Meeting

February 22, 2011

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm by President Elect Kathryn Wahl at the Eau Claire Children's Museum. Kathryn welcomed everyone and thanked our host for allowing us to have our meeting there. We did not have January's GMM minutes to approve. Kathryn reminded everyone that placement for next year is quickly approaching and everyone should consider positions for placement. Our March GMM is March 31, 2011 at Camille's and April's GMM is April 28, 2011 at Riverside Plaza with Phyllis hosting. Giving tree information for those months will be forthcoming.

Our 80th Anniversary Gala is fast approaching and we hope to see everyone there. More discussion on that topic later in the meeting.

Robin Shih discussed Kids In the Kitchen, Dinners On, Just Local Foods, and how members can sign up to help.

Copies of budget were distributed. Linda made a motion to pass the budget as written and Valerie seconded the motion. Budget was passed as written.

Angela Axelrod discussed Celebration of Women that is on April 14, 2011 at Florian Gardens. The theme is "Live Authentically." There was a brief discussion by Lynda of having a JL booth at Celebration where we could make JL very visible in hopes of getting new members. There was also discussion about selling our cookbooks and montages if JL has a booth.

Sadie Gunderson discussed the 80th Anniversary Gala that will take place on May 14, 2011 at the Eau Claire Golf and Country Club. We discussed the budget for the event and also requested members sign up for committees to help with the Gala. We discussed inviting past presidents of Junior League and Service League. Questions were presented as to whether we should provide corsages to past presidents, whether we should have music, a guestbook to sign, and a photographer. During the dinner portion of the evening our normal spring banquet business will be conducted.

Sadie and Rachel are co-chairing the 80th Anniversary Gala committee and any questions or ideas should be directed to them. There has not been a set price for tickets yet. Jill Spaak-Fenn is calling past presidents and we are also going to use the Bunco database and the names on the recipes in our cookbook as ways to locate women we want to invite. Kirsten Holbrook is going to contact sustainers for the same purpose.

We discussed whether we want to begin giving awards at the annual spring banquet to those who exceed throughout the year in specific areas. Examples were provisional of the year award, service award, and sustainer award.

Sadie Gunderson reminded those present about the Diaper Bank presentation in November given by Betsy Kell and Mary Ann Minton. Sadie provided a general description of the Diaper Bank for those who were not present in November. Kathryn Wahl made a motion to add the diaper bank to Junior League's list of projects. Mandy Brash seconded the motion and the motion unanimously passed.

Mandy Brash brought a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 pm and Sadie Gunderson seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.