

# Mebane Woman's Club



Meeting Type: Club Business ▾

Date: 02/16/2023

Location: Mill Creek Clubhouse ▾

## Attendance:

### Board:

- ☒ Singer, Sam (P)
- ☒ Semonite, Susan (VP)
- ☒ Seagroves, Sherri (Trs)
- ☒ Hurn, Katy B. (Sec)

### Guest:

- ☐ Michelle Aquilino
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### Club:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Barrett, Kelly                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Forsyth, Ginger           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Roth, Jen       |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bichsel, Rose       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Foushee, Robyn | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rupert, Joanna  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Boss, Holly         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geary, Libbie  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Socha, Stephany |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brouwer, Rebecca    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gurley, Abbey  | <input type="checkbox"/> Taylor, Judy               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Burke, Tonya                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Hinshaw, Renee            | <input type="checkbox"/> Willoughby, Angela         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Burkholder, Katie              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hogan, Melissa | <input type="checkbox"/> Zamorski, Rachel           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carter, Ashley                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hudson, Amber  |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childress, Carolyn Faye        | <input type="checkbox"/> Kersey, Tamara            |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Countiss, Marlo                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Krans, Aimee   |   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dickerson, Samantha | <input type="checkbox"/> MacKenzie, Gail           |   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dornette, Polly     | <input type="checkbox"/> Mathis, Tammorah          |   |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Ray, Cheryl               |   |

## Call to Order @ 7:05 pm

Sam Singer (P) ▾ presiding

- Vice President's Report
  - Introduction of new members
  - Names: **Sam Dickerson, Abbey Gurley, and Melissa Hogan**
- Members and guests made introductions
  - Name and event/project most excited for in 2023
- Treasurer's Report
  - MWC Account Balances
    - General Account: \$23,879
    - MOTM Account: \$19,390.05

Garden Account: \$3,498.63  
**Total: \$46,767.68**

- Asked for reimbursements
  - Presented [2022 Impact Report](#)
  - Reviewed [proposed 2023 budget](#)
- Motion to approve budget tabled until next business meeting

- Updates from Executive Board

1. [MWC Gcal link](#) is on [MWC FB page](#) (public), linked to the [MWC website](#), linked in recent email (sent Fri. 2/10/23), and in [MWC Feb 2023 Deck](#). All members have access to this calendar. Facebook events have also been created to align with the calendar. Reach out to the board if you would like events/activities added to the MWC calendar.
2. Business meetings are no longer open to visitors. Prior to business meetings (5:45PM - 6:30PM) will be an interested/potential member event. Susan (VP) is also contacting potential members via email; including an invitation to upcoming MWC volunteer opportunities and social events. Please direct interested/potential members to [mwcvicepresident@gmail.com](mailto:mwcvicepresident@gmail.com).

- Old Business

1. [MWC website](#) is now live. (Was down yesterday. If it happens again, PLEASE notify Sherri Seagroves, [mwctreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:mwctreasurer@gmail.com)).  
MWC "members only" will contain the meeting minutes.  
Password: MWCrocks2023
2. Members requested to email Katy B (Sec) at [mwcsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:mwcsecretary@gmail.com) with monthly volunteer hours.  
Updated plan tbd.
3. A member hub is being developed to archive important documents.  
Possibilities include shared GDrive, files on "members only" FB page, files on "members only" section of website
4. Susan (VP) is planning on having MWC featured in the Mebane Enterprise monthly.
5. Total Exposure Design has created a merchandise store website for the MWC that will be open year round. Estimated go live in 2-3 weeks.  
Options of 2 different v-neck shirts and tumbler. Photos shared in MWC Feb 2023 Deck and linked [here](#).  
T-shirts will be mailed to a personal address. If you purchase a tumbler, email Sherri at [mwctreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:mwctreasurer@gmail.com), can pick up at Total Exposure Design to prevent additional shipping cost.  
MWC will not make profit from purchased items (sold at cost). \$300 annual fee for website.  
*\*Measure bust armpit to armpit on a shirt that fits to determine your size (the shirts run small).*

- New Business

## Community Service Programs

- o Arts & Culture

*GFWC-NC Art Show*

Tonight's announcement made by: Stephany Socha

GFWC will host the Arts festival at the MACC on Sat. 3/11. MWC will again serve as pages. Stephany is chairwoman for the student visual arts category and Michelle Aquilino will serve as a judge. MWC has recruited Matt Trupia (bartender at Trackside and host of local art gathering/club) and representative from local Painted Grape as judges. If you are planning on volunteering please click "going" on the facebook event or contact Sam Singer (P).

- o Civic Engagement & Outreach

*Mebane Citizens Academy*

Tonight's announcement made by: Rebecca Brower

Mebane Citizens Academy is a monthly event co-sponsored with the Mebane City Council that focuses on the politics and infrastructure of the City of Mebane. The original Mebane Citizens Academy was cut short by Covid-19. The City and MWC is hoping to start the program again this fall, running from Fall 2023 through Spring 2024. More info to come closer to summer.

*Movies at the Community Park*

Tonight's announcement made by: Sherri Seagroves (Treas)

MWC has been asked by Taylor Ford, Mebane Recreation Program Coordinator, to hand out water, non-alcoholic drinks, and candy for Movies at the Community Park.

There are 4 movies scheduled:

April 21 (Minions: The Rise of Gru), at Dogwood Festival in partnership with MBA

April 28 (Puss in Boots: The Last Wish), at Mebane Community Park

May 5 (Raya and the Last Dragon), at Mebane Community Park

May 12 (viewer's choice, to be determined by FB vote), at Mebane Community Park

Options include: How to Train Your Dragon, Lightyear, Strange World, and The LEGO movie

Motion of budget up to \$400 - Rebecca, 2nd - Stephany

Vote tabled due to no member volunteer as chair coordinator

Interest from Melissa Hogan.

Discussion re: only volunteering for final 3 movies at Mebane Community Park

- o Education & Literacy

*Little Libraries*

Tonight's announcement made by: Sam Singer (P)

Angela took pictures of the run down MWC Little Library (located at the Bell Garden). Needs some TLC; new roof and some paint. Will discuss at next business meeting.

#### *4th of July Parade*

Tonight's announcement made by: Susan Semonite (VP)

Mebane Historical Society is looking for a MWC Liaison for the 4th of July Parade. First meeting is March 4. Amber volunteered to be the contact person. Email sent to Tracy Davenport, Executive Director at Mebane Historical Museum.

#### *Woodlawn Attendance Award*

Tonight's announcement made by: Sam Singer (P), on behalf of Tammorah Mathis

Woodlawn has a perfect attendance award. Could MWC supply congratulations cards/candy. Approximately 75 students will be awarded on 3/29 and 6/1. Club discussed and Aimee Krans suggested MWC support schools based on honor roll/grades or other achievement milestones.

Gravelly wants help with their parents' night. Anyone interested can attend.

#### *MWC Grant Program*

Tonight's announcement made by: Rebecca Brouwer

Mini-grants for \$500-\$2500 offered for community members to apply. Rebecca is seeking a committee to create the parameters of the grants. Club discussed that grant money will come from MWC general fund. Contact Rebecca if you would like to be on the committee (initial volunteers, via hand raise, included Stephany Socha, Susan Semonite (VP), Sam Dickerson, Holly Boss, and Polly Dornette.

#### o *Environment & Conservation*

##### *Community Garden*

Tonight's announcement made by: Joanna Rupert

The Garden committee collected quotes for local carpenters to build plant beds. Chose company. Will take 2-3 weeks to complete. Start date of 3/4. At a cost of slightly over \$2000.

Scheduled work days of Sat. 2/25 and Sun. 2/26. FB events to be created and info to be added to MWC Gcal.

Almost all plots are sold; few available. Contact Joanna if interested, prior to Joanna sharing with the community. Garden located on 1st and Vine St., by MFD.

##### *NC Litter Sweep*

Tonight's announcement made by: Rebecca Brouwer

[NC Litter Sweep](#) is 4/15 - 4/29. MWC will pick up trash 5:45 PM - 6:45 PM on a weeknight. Contact Rebecca if interested and we will have a poll to pick the date. Susan will share the document on "how to pick up trash."

Creek Week cleanup with the Mebane Trail Rangers is on Sat. 4/8 at Lake Michael.

##### *Habitat for Humanity*

Tonight's announcement made by: Sam Singer (P)

Scheduling a Habitat for Humanity workday has been suggested by MWC members for the past several years. In the past, we have missed the opportunity due to not choosing a date quickly enough. Sam reached out to Sarah Williams, Associate Director of Habitat for Humanity of Alamance County. Available Sa. dates include 4/29, 5/13, or any Sat. in June. Discussed pros and cons (warm weather, Mother's Day weekend, etc.). **Chose Sat. 6/3.**

Also, option of Women's Build, which is held in the month of Sept. Only women volunteers the entire month. Is a fundraiser, and the ask is \$1,000 for a group of 8. Includes t-shirts and a meal during the shift at the build site.

\*Women Build can be done as an individual. Registration open in July/Aug. \$50 per person.

- o **Health & Wellness**

- Mebane Walks*

- Tonight's announcement made by: Libbie Geary and Sherri Seagroves (Treas)

- Sherri is leading the spring season for Mebane Walks, which runs from April 1 - May 31. Planning to have a theme of "Battle of the Churches" (has been successful in the past).

- Mebane walks consist of a variety of trails. Meet-ups have been at the Bell Garden for urban trails, Mill Creek development, Tanger Outlet, Cate's Farm, etc. Ambassadors (walk leaders) pick the time and location; Sherri will provide documents on "how to lead a walk." Substitute walk leaders are also needed.

- o **Fundraising & Development**

- Tonight's announcement made by: Sam Singer (P)

- Proposing club discussion regarding large fundraiser, specifically Farm to Fork, to be held annually or bi-annually.

- Aggressive budget requires fundraising, would leave MWC general fund with a balance at \$8K.

- A suggestion has been made to instead host several small fundraisers such as Bingo, Bunco, product sales (similar to school/sports fundraisers), etc. Polly stated that F2F is so much more than just a fundraiser. Supporting restaurants, ACC students, local farmers, and the community.

- Polly states Woodside Farm, last year's venue, would like to know ASAP if we are placing a deposit and holding a dte. Tentative date, last Sun. in Sept. would be 9/24.

- Aimee Krans reported concern that MWC, with many small fundraisers, would become a club that is "always fundraising."

- Polly requested members raise hands/vocalize if they would be willing to volunteer. Several members volunteered. \*Polly posted a volunteer request on MWC FB private page.

- Consensus made that this is a larger discussion. Will be placed top of agenda for next club business meeting, in March.

- Membership**

- Tonight's announcement made by: Sam Singer (P)

New Member orientation will be held by Sherri Seagroves (Treas) on Thurs. 2/23 and Sun. 2/26 via zoom.  
Recommended to new and old members.

- Next MWC Club Business Meeting  
March 16, 2023 @ 7 PM at Mill Creek Golf Club  
Reminder: Meet & Greet with potential new members at 5:45 PM
- Club Collect

There being no further business to come before the board, this meeting is adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by: Katy B. Hurn.  
Date: Thurs. 4/23.