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SRW Minutes

September 18, 2017

President Penny Doyel called the meeting to order at 7:14.

Members present: Holly Smith, Patricia Cowan, Louise Theberge, Regina and John Adams, Gailon Friant, Robin Rice, Sandy Pait, Penny Doyel and new member Joanie Powell.

The meeting began with a devotion and Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes were approved as submitted.

Tara sent in the Treasurer's report. It was approved. She also reminded everyone that dues are due; \$25 for member and \$10 for Associate.

The fundraising committee of Louise, Sandy and Patricia will look into a Spring Wine fundraising event.

Caring for America:

Cary House- supplies were brought in and Sandy will deliver.

Laurel Shelter is closed.

Holly reported that Avalon out of Williamsburg will be taking over and in the long run this is a positive outcome. Victims are now being sent to Williamsburg.

Penny reported about the trip to the State Convention and the Tea for Trump. Both were nice events.

Penny reported that she has been contacted by Bobbie Ray about having a Candidates Forum for the 98th District Representatives. She contacted the Democrats and they are willing to co-sponsor. The Gloucester Republican Committee said they would not be interested since they had already decided their budget for this year's campaign.

She wanted to know if we would be willing to co-sponsor. We discussed it and Louise made a motion that we discuss it with

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Bobbie and we would be willing to spend up to \$75.00 for the event, check in to insurance, make sure the moderator was neutral and there were good ground rules in place. The motion passed. Sandy volunteered to talk to Bobbie about the event.

Robin as the group if they wanted her to invite the two candidates for the School Board At-Large seats to the next meeting for a meet and greet and answer some questions. We all agreed that it sounded like a good program. Louise and Robin will prepare three questions.

Penny asked for a volunteer for the Nominating Committee. Patricia agreed to do it again. Slate will be announced in Oct, vote in November (email) and install in December at the Christmas Party.

Sandy and Penny passed out candidate sheets with comparisons between the state candidates for Governor, Lt. Governor and Attorney General.

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Everyone agreed that they were very helpful.

Keith Hodges, out Representative for the 98th District is behind in monies but is just starting his campaign.

Announcements: There will be a local Candidates Forum for Gloucester County Supervisors and School Board on Oct 2 at 6:30 PM at the Abingdon Ruritan Club in Bena.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:42 for refreshments.

Submitted by Sandy Pait,
Secretary

Caring for America

Cary House- Please bring tissues, toothpaste and feminine hygiene products to the meeting.

Candidates Forum Update

Sandy has been working with Bobbie Ray and Diane Carter

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DeMayo (Democratic Committee) on the Forum.

and Brenda Mack. Hope to see you all there!!

The date is set for Tuesday, October 24 at 6:00PM to 8:30PM at the Gloucester Moose Lodge. Both candidates have returned the forms of agreement. The moderator has been invited. The Moose Lodge will cover the insurance so the biggest expense is the Sheriff Deputy. We will split it with the Democrat Committee. We will need volunteers that night. Sandy will make a full report at the October meeting.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be October 16, 2017 at 7PM at Morning Glory Gallery. Everyone is asked to bring a food or beverage item to share. Our program is a meet and greet, with questions, with the two candidates for the at-large school board seat: Damien Kelly