

## WOW Meeting Minutes

05/02/2024

Location - Folkmoot, Room A12

Present - Abby Murphy, Alice Adams (note taker), Celena Grant, Ginger Galati, Jennifer Spillane, Jessica Henry, Mary Ann Lawrence, Melissa Benhart, Patty Michaud, Virginia Wall. Guests: Lauren Lockamy (friend of Mary Ann), Stacy Antos, Tami Threats (Stacy and Tami joined after the meeting).

Ginger led the meeting, in Becca's absence.

Alice recited the WOW mission.

New members/guests introduced themselves: Celena, Abby, Lauren, Stacy, Jessica and Tammi. Welcome to all!

After action discussion of the Open House: Food & drink was awesome; Everyone was friendly; Liked Alice telling everyone to start working afterwards; Presentation was good; Thank you to those who supported the event, either in person (and donated food/drinks, set up and cleaned up) or those who advised they were unable to attend but donated food, drinks or other items (expected better participation from those able to attend).

Ginger provided a detailed overview of the WOW intranet site on the TV monitor, to include an overview of the committees.

Current/upcoming fundraising: Ginger has **AutoBell gift cards** for us to sell, an ongoing fundraiser. **The Gem on May 24th (time TBD)** - we will be manning the door for karaoke night and keeping the \$5 entrance fee (funds will be kept to support our Stealth mission). The theme is Queens of Country and we plan to hold a Dolly Parton look-alike contest for \$5 admission fee. Winner keeps half of the contest fees collected and we keep half (50/50). We need a signup sheet for those interested in volunteering and to ask The Gem to promote the contest on its information distributed about the event. **Belk Charity Sale on 6/7-9** - Ginger has coupons for us to sell and we will be manning a table to sell coupons, a signup sheet will be sent out once dates/times are determined.

Scholarship Committee update: Members in attendance did not know who was selected. They expressed difficulty using the new system instituted this year by Haywood County Schools Foundation. The online platform indicated that each member volunteer had submitted a response and all applicants seemed to fit the WOW mission.

Auction update: Will add to next meeting's agenda.

Thanks to Alice for bringing Cinco de Mayo snacks and Lauren for drinks. Some members attended the concert in the Folkmoot auditorium after the meeting.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.