

PHNC Board of Directors Meeting

Holy Trinity Church
3240 McMullen Booth Rd.
Clearwater, FL 33761
February 06, 2025

Members Present: Jane Bittmann, Judy Moore, Maria Greco, Linda Sanford, Dee Lewis, Claire Hoagland, Cindy Bridgewater, Pamela Enos, Claudia Thomas, Diane Densmore, Michelle Scott, and Barb Sweet

Members Absent: Barb DePerto, Dorothy Sackett, Christine Dandaraw, Rita Yezzi, and Joan Lawler

President -Jane Bittmann

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 AM. Linda Sanford was asked to take minutes and agreed. Activity group signups can not be done before the Chatterbox is published on the day of the club's monthly luncheon. Claudia will include a reminder in the newsletter. After much discussion, the suggestion to add a new "Sunshine Plus" position to the board was tabled.

Secretary – Linda Sanford (acting)

Dee Lewis moved the January 2, 2025 Board of Directors meeting minutes be approved. Claire Hoagland seconded. Motion carried.

Vice President Membership – Barb DePerto (Absent)

The current membership is 180.

The next New Member Meet & Greet is on March 31 at Barb DePerto's home. Barb, Jane, Claudia, Dee, and Claire will represent the board. There have been 15 new members since the last Meet & Greet on 10/31.

Claudia will update the New Member Manual and order more.

Michelle Scott announced on behalf of the Nominating Committee (Barb DePerto, Michelle Scott, Judy Moore, Kathleen Aedo & Sue Paley) that they met on 1/17/2025 and have agreed on Executive Board nominations. They are still seeking qualified candidates for the General Board and are hoping to bring newer members to those positions rather than members who have previously served.

At the February luncheon, Pam Enos will be at the entrance with an extra table decoration and a job description for Table Décor Chair so members can find out more about what the position entails. Executive Board nominations will be announced in March. Claudia Thomas reminded everyone about confidentiality regarding nominations until then.

Treasurer – Judy Moore

Judy announced the following bank balances:

Checking: \$12,352.61

Savings: \$1289.00

CD: \$8381.05

The club's CD was renewed in January at 4% interest for a one-year term. She reported her budget forecast for the remainder of the year is positive.

Director of Programs – Linda Sanford

Comedian Mark Evans (Southern, Not Stupid) will entertain PHNC in March, followed by Cathy Salustri in April with “Badass Florida Women”. Singer Leesa Stiles will perform songs from some favorite divas in May.

Director of Activities – Dee Lewis

Dee announced Bunco will be split into two homes for February and March because of the high interest level. (There were 24 participants in January.) Those who sign up will be assigned to homes based on when they sign up.

Director of Special Events – Maria Greco

The next special event is to Tampa Bay Downs on Wednesday, April 30. We will have a private room in the Sky Terrace with valet parking and a nice buffet. The cost is \$55 per person.

Hospitality Chair – Claire Hoagland)

Twenty birthday cards were sent for February. The following sunshine cards were sent in January:

- Linda Kaminsky – hospitalized
- Janet Poll’s husband – Janet’s death
- Rita Yezzi – sister’s heart attack
- Christine Dandaraw – shoulder surgery
- Dorothy Sackett – caring for sister in hospice

Thanks go to Cindy Bridgewater for the door signs at last month’s luncheon and to Sarah Hastings for helping with the doors.

Luncheon Chair – Cindy Bridgewater

There are 73 registered for the February luncheon as of now.

Table Décor – Pamela Enos

Pam requested additional funds for her budget, and Judy stated there is \$1000 left (50%) for the last four months of this year (Feb. – May).

There will be a tartan runner on each table with Scottish tea and raspberry tea buns for this month’s luncheon table décor.

Newsletter Editor – Claudia Thomas

She is waiting for information from one Activity Group chair.

Pot of Gold – Diane Densmore

She would like a square table at luncheons instead of a round one. She reported splitting the money collected in the raffle so half is given back to members is taking additional time.

Past President and Publicity – Michelle Scott

She has been actively promoting PHNC and brought samples of local magazines that will help advertise the club. They are mailed to homes in the area. Barb Sweet suggested contacting TV stations, and Michelle replied she had tried to do so but had no success.

Facebook Chair – Barb Sweet

A club member was the victim of a scam from a posting on the PHNC Members Only Facebook group. The type of posts that should be allowed and what measures could be taken to prevent this from happening again were discussed. Facebook Group Administrators Barb Sweet and Claudia

Thomas are to investigate and report back. It may be advisable to screen all or some postings before they are shown to group members. Michelle warned everyone to always use caution on the web.

Non renewing members will be removed from the Facebook group.

Website Chair and Co-Chair – Christine Dandaraw (Absent) Rita Yezzi (Absent)

Michelle Scott reported Christine wished to thank everyone for their cards and calls after her surgery.

Website Chair Support – Joan Lawler (Absent)

The secretary is responsible for collecting and storing guest waivers. How long and how they are to be kept needs to be determined.

Linda Sanford reminded Board members the luncheon signup reminder that goes out before Board meetings should always advise that no walk-ins will be allowed and that members should check for registration confirmations.

A membership renewal reminder went out to everyone, causing several members to renew twice. This should be avoided in the future by only sending to those who haven't renewed.

Unfinished Business

Linda Sanford said Nicole Maher from The Haven, a domestic abuse shelter, will speak briefly at the February luncheon. A collection of donations for The Haven will be taken at the March luncheon.

Claudia Thomas reported the 2025 Bylaw Responsibilities Committee (Claudia, Judy, Josie Chadwick, Patty Whitehouse) met 1/31/25 and will meet again. Expanded job descriptions for officers and chairs are in the works. Formulating proposed Standing Rules to document key club policies and procedures are also under development. Input will be sought from current officers and chairs.

Maria Greco reminded those present of the Board and Coordinator Appreciation Party at her home on March 23, 1-4 PM. About 1/3 of those invited have not yet replied to the invitation.

Dee Lewis will purchase gifts to be given to Activity Coordinators at the April luncheon.

Claudia moved the motion passed by the Board of Directors via email vote in January, 2025, to propose PHNC Bylaws, Article VI, Section 11, be amended to enable the Pot of Gold Chair to serve more than two consecutive years be rescinded. Linda seconded. Motion carried.

New Business

PHNC email addresses were requested for Table Décor and Pot of Gold.

Linda announced the Tarpon Springs High School show choir will have a stage show on Feb. 18 featuring songs and dances from the group's upcoming competitions.

Adjourned

Michelle Scott made a motion to adjourn. Cindy Bridgewater seconded. Motion carried.
The meeting was adjourned at 11:28 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda W. Sanford, Acting Secretary