

University of Minnesota Women's Club
Board Meeting Minutes
November 9, 2021
Midland Hills Country Club at 10 a.m.

Attendees: Barb Burleigh, Carol Cantrell, Barbara Cady, Sandy Gale, Liz Grimmer, Mary Glaeser, Catherine Holtzclaw, Fran Holmsten, Susan Hopp, Maggie Hoover, Georgia Heisserer, Sue Madison, Bonnie Marten, Nancy Myers, Georgia Nygaard, Carole Senty, Diane Schweizer, Barbara Swadburg, Millie Woodbury, Rolaine Wright, Diane Young

Call to Order and Establishment of Quorum at 10:09 a.m. – Susan Hopp, President

Approval of Minutes – Georgia Nygaard made a motion seconded by Carol Cantrell to accept the minutes as distributed. Motion passed.

Reports:

President – Susan Hopp

As per usual, let's keep remarks brief and efficient.

President Elect – Catherine Holtzclaw

Spending time visiting sections such as Nature and Hikers.

Vice President for Scholarship Fundraising – Diane Young

Gift Report, as of Oct. 30, 2021

- Gift Total: \$ 29,771.64
⇒ Compared to \$26,895, 9.29.20
- Gifts to scholarship checkbook: 80
⇒ Compared to 68 gifts, 9.29.20

Breakdown

- Memorial/In-honor Gifts = 20
- One-year Named Scholarships
 - Funded = 6
 - Check in the mail = 2 (*not yet received as of Oct. 30*)
 - In pipeline = 3-4
- Gifts since Oct. 5, 2021 (Fall Membership & Scholarship Luncheon)
 - \$12,510
⇒ \$4,960 since Oct 21st *
 - 26 gifts
⇒ 15 gifts since Oct. 21st *

**when Annal Appeal letter arrived in mailboxes*

Corresponding Secretary – Barb Burleigh

- No new sympathy or other supportive notes have been mailed since the last board meeting.
- Just this last week I learned of the death of one of our long time members, Elfrieda Hintze, on November 5th, at age 91. I had visited her several times at her senior residence and her decline was quite sudden as she entered hospice. Elfrieda was a former teacher, a world traveler, and a member of the Vagabonds and Nature sections, among others.

Vice Presidents for Programs – Barbara Cady and Carol Cantrell

- I am excited to report a very successful Fall Welcome and Scholarship Luncheon October 5th at Doubletree in Roseville. We had 77 members, 15 guests and 20 students in attendance. A new feature this year, we had at least one student at each table. This was very successful, being very well received by the members and also the students. It promoted great conversation between the generations. The meeting had great excitement, high energy and much enthusiasm for our first face to face meeting.
- We also had our first Board Meeting in September at Midland Hills and today Nov. 9th our first Conversation Luncheon at Midland Hills. We have 83 Members and 15 guests reservations. It is Wonderful to finally be able to meet in person at Midland Hills. Midland Hills has been very easy to work with in this time of unknowns and very accomodating to our needs.

Co Treasurers – Sandy Gale and Sue Madison

- Sue stated that she received 95 scholarship checks this year and about 13 per week for the last two weeks after the appeal letter. Received a donation through a member's Required Minimum Deduction from her IRA
- Sandy will move \$935 listed under miscellaneous expense to technical support where \$2000 was budgeted.
- TCF is now Huntington Bank, and it is more complicated than working with TCF. They are short staffed and an appointment is needed to talk with a banker The University of Minnesota has a relationship with Huntington Bank. A personal contact is effective. Georgia will discuss.
- See addendum for financial reports.

Auditor's Report – Peggy Tang

Auditor's report will be completed after the posting of taxes.

Conversations – Barbara Swadburg and Maggie Hoover

- The speaker for our luncheon today is Kirsten Delegard, co-founder of the Mapping Prejudice Project. Conversations Committee has also secured speakers for the February and April Conversation Luncheons, as listed in the directory. Ingrid Lund has also recruited Janee Harteau, former Chief of Police in Minneapolis, to speak at a special Zoom Meeting in March, 2022.
- We look forward to presenting our Luncheon speakers in person this year.

Historian – Liz Grimmer

- We are now in our new location in room 250 of the McNamara building. I've gone through the files and organized them in two of the file drawers. There is still a box from the Big Ten Conference to be sorted and sent to the archives.
- I received Two framed Proclamations presented to UMWC to celebrate its centennial in 2011 from Millie Woodbury. One signed by the Governor of Minnesota, Mark Dayton and the second one signed by the Mayor of Minneapolis, R.T. Rybak. These will be sent to the archives.

Membership Chair – Georgia Heisserer

- Our committee continues to welcome new members as they come in, which includes sending them notes, name tags, and information packets which include our directory. Resumed membership is growing as well, now that the pandemic fears seem to be subsiding a bit.
- The Scholarship Luncheon gave our team an opportunity to greet folks as they arrived. Our kiosk exhibit generated interest with several Section photographs. Each dinner table had membership information for guests to examine, and we did get some new members following the event.
Section participants have welcomed guests and new members. We continue to find that strong Sections are vital for the success of our club.
- We are in the process of replacing name tags with the new design. The new name tags will be available for those attending today's luncheon with the rest being mailed by the end of the month.
- Dues reminder letters were mailed October 12 to those who had not yet renewed their membership for this year. An additional twenty people were contacted by phone or email. There has been a good response.
- No New Member Event has been scheduled this year. Please contact one of us if you have a venue idea. Eastcliff is no longer available for our event. In the past, the cost has been underwritten by the University President. This is no longer the case.
- Nancy Myers' report has numbers regarding our current membership status.

Newsletter Editor – Susan Hopp for Nancy Kluver

- The November-December newsletter was posted online Tuesday, October 26, and was printed and in the mail November 4. This issue invited members to our first Conversation with a Woman Leader of the season and included a recap of our very successful Fall Welcome and Scholarship Day event. President Susan Hopp provided a thoughtful take on the volunteer opportunities available in the club—and the fact that the club absolutely relies on its volunteers.
- Marian Champlin wrote a wonderful article about Angela Busch, a former scholarship recipient and now one of our outstanding donors. We also reminded members of our annual toy drive for children hospitalized at the University Medical Center, and we introduced them to scholarship recipient Melanie Lor in our Online Extra feature. Membership Chair Georgia Heisserer wrote a delightful pep talk about all of our club activities and we welcomed new and returning members.
- Other highlights included a photo from the Hikers overnight trip to Lake Mille Lacs and Kathio State Park as well as a photo from the Nature group's visit to the Nine Mile Creek Watershed area. We also previewed the Vagabonds virtual trip to Mexico.
- The deadline for the January-February newsletter is Monday, December 13. Thank you to everyone who contributed articles and photos and to Robert Waltz for his design work
- Members used to get the luncheon menu earlier. Decision was made that 10 days before the due date of the luncheon reservation, an email reminder will be sent to members listing the speaker and the menu.

Directory Editor – Bonnie Marten for Dorothy Waltz

Volunteers to handle other graphic tasks:

- The effort to find volunteers to take over some of the tasks I was handling for the UMWC as Publications Chair has proceeded slowly, as was evident at the Scholarship Luncheon. No one member should be responsible for as many tasks as happened this year.
- On the other hand, I would like to thank Carol Senty for voluntarily taking on the tasks of printing and delivering new member and guest name tags and “dietary tents.” Susan Hopp also created new designs for name tags, note cards, and a Club letterhead. She also arranged for the printing of the new stationery.
- In the next few months, I hope to work with Carol Cantrell, Barbara Cady, and President Elect Catherine Holtzclaw to create complete Scholarship Luncheon worksheets and recruit various members to assume all of the tasks.

Records and Dues Officer – Nancy Myers

UMWC Records and Dues Report as of November 9, 2021

UMWC MEMBERSHIP

	FY 2018-19 6/30//2019	FY 2019-20 @6/30/2020	FY 2020-21 @6/30/2021	FY 2021-22 @11/9/2021
TOTAL ACTIVE MEMBERS	359	353	301	275
Renewal	300	308	288	247
Resumed	-	-	-	7
New	44	34	11	15
Carryover	14	9	0	4
Complimentary	1	2	2	2
Deceased in current year		2	0	0
Deceased / Discontinued	52	43	64	-
Not yet renewed				43
TOTAL DUES COLLECTED	\$12,145	\$12,040	\$10,466	\$9,515

‘Carryover’ designates members who joined in March through June in the prior fiscal year.

The list of new members & directory changes is always available, if anyone needs it.

Scholarship Chair – Georgia Nyugaard

- Actually, the Scholarship Committee is in hiatus mode presently; however, Georgia had a few comments to share.
- In relationship to the October 5th Fall Scholarship Luncheon to honor our UMWC Scholarship recipients, we had 23 students in attendance. The photo of the student attendees is in the recent Newsletter. They are a beautiful, energetic and delightful group of women. • This year, the Scholarship recipients were seated at various tables throughout the banquet room and comments that I received from UMWC members and guests was that

this arrangement was very successful as students and UMWC members/ guests enjoyed the opportunity to converse with one another in a more personal way.

- The program itself, had a new format this year with a combination of individual student videos made by the students as an introduction of themselves and interspersed with the videos, a few select individual students came to the microphone and shared additional personal history plus their future plans and goals.
- All in all, the program format was very successful in all aspects and of course, the students were the highlight of this event.
- We were very grateful for our technology wizards and their expertise in showing the videos.
- A special thank you to all the “behind the scenes” preliminary work that made this a successful day.

Website Liaison – Millie Woodbury for Connie Cundy

- The November December newsletter was posted on the website. The Newsletter was emailed to all members on the list via Mailchimp.
- The videos of the scholars were posted on the website.
- I am pleased to report that some leaders are using the website for notices and updates. It is my hope that the more it is used the more members will think to look there for changing information. Thank you to those who have sent pictures, notices, and updates.
- Please refer to Quick Updates for new information, corrections, or updates and schedule changes. Send an email to have information posted on the website. umwc@umn.edu
- The club email is monitored, and emails are forwarded to the appropriate person.

Section Reports

Section leads have asked for a list of members that did not renew. What do they do if people are coming to a section event and they are not a member of the Club?

Susan Hopp will invite section chairs to a Zoom meeting either Nov. 22 or 29 to discuss issues such as those brought up today.

Around the Campus – Fran Holmsten

The program about chocolate will take place on Tuesday Nov. 16. An RSVP went out today to paid section members only, since the room for the event is small.

Movie Rendezvous Section – written report provided by Elaine Savick in advance of the meeting

The group is still trying to find an appropriate venue following the (temporary, thank goodness) closure of the Edina Theater.

Our November meeting will be at the St Anthony Main theater The group will reevaluate that venue after Thursday, November 11.

As of the Scholarship Luncheon signup, there are 26 women on the list

Mystery Lovers – Carol Cantrell

The group is meeting in person at Applewood Pointe. The venue requires members to wear masks and show proof of vaccination. All section members complied.

Nature Section – Diane Schweizer

On Oct. 25, section members enjoyed a wine tour and presentation about grape breeding at the Arboretum. The next two programs will be on Zoom and the April 26 session will be in person..

Non-Fiction – Millie Woodbury

The Non-Fiction section has success meeting over Zoom. The meeting opens a half-hour early for social time.

Vagabonds – Barb Burleigh

For section report changes, Vagabonds on Nov. 19, will feature the Zoom program at 1:30 PM on Copper Canyon in Mexico, by Fred and Dorothy Waltz. This program had been originally scheduled for October in the directory.

Women’s Health Issues

The Nov. 5 session was cancelled due to COVID concerns.

Old Business

- A topic that has come up before is coming for the Conversation Lunch speaker but not eating lunch:
 - A new member requested to do this and with Midland Hills’ approval, we have set up a simple table with water in the back of the room to accommodate, but not encourage, such situations.
 - On a related topic - Sandy has been given special permission to bring her own lunch, due to her long list of food allergies.
- Stationary has been printed and mostly distributed to those who asked for some. Susan brought extra letterhead, notecards, envelopes, interest section cards and calling cards to the meeting. Board members are welcome to pick them up.
- Carole Senty brought new name tags for the board - the old ones were printed a bit small by mistake. New identifiers (board position name) were also available.
- Interest section cards were placed on the tables for today’s luncheon.
- Name tags distributed at the first board meeting were the wrong size. Board members were asked to pick up new name tags. New identifiers (board position name) were also available.

New Business – Carol Cantrell and Susan Hopp

- Place cards were developed with *Open* printed on one side and *Saved* printed on the other. Cards are placed on every place setting, so a member can turn the card to *Saved* when they choose a place to sit. This will resolve the issue of members tipping chairs over to save a seat and causing a hazard.
- Maggie Hoover has agreed to chair an ad hoc committee to review our bylaws this year.
- Barb Swadburg has agreed to Chair the Nominating Committee.
- We end the meeting with more wonderful news: The club has received a generous unusual gift specified for “operations” - a bit over \$9,000 from an anonymous donor.
 - The member is very interested in the Women’s Club’s ongoing history and its mission, and she’d like to support the overall functioning of the club, and is especially interested in increasing our membership. This could mean an emphasis on communications and programming to support and enhance our membership, all impacting long-term growth and stability.
 - The donor understands that this is a non-tax-deductible gift, and it has been deposited into the Operations Account this month
 - We will create an ad hoc committee to come up with a plan to be the best stewards possible. Diane Young has agreed to chair.

Adjournment – 11:14 p.m.

Carol Cantrell made a motion seconded by Maggie Hoover to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed.

Addendum

**University of Minnesota Women's Club
Operations Account (Federal Tax ID 41-6021447)
July 1, 2021 through October 31, 2021**

	Actual 2020-21	Budget 2021-22	YTD 2021-22	Current Period
<i>Beginning Balance as of July 1st</i>	\$20,133.60	\$17,214.09	\$17,674.09	
Income				
Dues	\$10,466.00	\$10,675.00	\$8,430.00	\$7,870.00
Meeting and Luncheon Income	\$0.00	\$15,800.00	\$3,599.00	\$3,599.00
Other Income - Replacements-Name Tag/Directory	\$5.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Operating Income	\$10,471.00	\$26,475.00	\$12,029.00	\$11,469.00
Expense				
Meeting and Luncheon Expense	\$0.00	\$16,000.00	\$4,482.82	\$4,482.82
Conversation Luncheon Speaker Honorarium	\$250.00	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Memorials-UMWC Operations to Scholarship	\$200.00	\$500.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
Printing/Addressing/Postage/Copying/Mailing	\$6,196.84	\$6,500.00	\$2,591.56	\$2,591.56
Technical Support	\$6,672.34	\$2,000.00	\$975.00	\$975.00
President's Fund	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Big Ten Conference	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Miscellaneous Other Expense	\$71.33	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Operating Expense	\$13,390.51	\$26,300.00	\$8,149.38	\$8,049.38
Net Operating Income / Cash Flow	(\$2,919.51)	\$175.00	\$3,879.62	\$3,419.62
Operations Account Balance	\$17,214.09	\$17,389.09	\$21,093.71	

University of Minnesota Women's Club
Scholarship Fund Account (Tax ID 51-0190183)
September 1, 2021 through October 31, 2021

	Prior Year 2020-21	YTD 2021-22	Current Period
Sept 1st	\$90,398.75	\$104,613.37	\$14,861.69
Income			
Scholarship/Memorial Donations	\$96,725.92	\$11,198.32	\$18,573.32
Other Income -	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
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Other Income -	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Scl	\$96,725.92	\$11,198.32	\$18,573.32
Expense			
Scholarship Awards	\$81,800.00	\$100,950.00	\$0.00
Printing/Addressing/Mailing	\$711.30	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Expense - Luncheon Table Info.	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Expense -	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$075.00
Total Scl	\$82,511.30	\$100,950.00	\$975.00
Balance	\$104,613.37	\$14,861.69	\$32,466.01

2021-22 Scholarship Donations YTD:

UMWC Scholarship Checking Account		
5 One-Year Named Scholarships	\$19,066.64	
Un-Named Scholarship Donations	\$10,605.00	
Total Donations at UMWC	\$29,671.64	
Donations to UM Foundation from UMWC Members (7530)		
One-Year Named Scholarship Donated	\$0.00	
Anonymous Donor	\$0.00	
Total Donations at UMF	\$0.00	
Grand Total UMWC Scholarship Donations		\$29,671.64

2020-21 Scholarships Awarded in August 2021

UMWC Scholarship Checking Account		
20 One-Year Named Scholarships	\$70,000.00	
Un-Named Scholarships	\$30,950.00	
Total Scholarships from UMWC		\$100,950.00
UMWC Endowed Funds at UM Foundation		
Stephanie R. Boddly Scholarship Fund #1237	\$29,000.00	
Frances Shepherd Memorial Fund #1556	\$2,500.00	
Doris Dooden Scholarship Fund #7529	\$2,500.00	
UMWC Scholarship Fund #7530	\$33,000.00	
University Medical Auxiliary Fund #6758	\$6,000.00	
UMWC Educational Pursuit Scholarship	\$15,000.00	
Total Scholarships from UM Foundation		\$88,000.00
FY 2021-22 Endowment Available Funds As Needed	\$3,200	\$3,200.00
Grand Total of 59 UMWC Scholarship Awards for 2020-21		\$192,150.00

Prepared by Sue Madison Co-Treasurer, Scholarship