

**November 8, 2023**  
**Des Moines Women's Club Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

**Called to Order at 9:37.**

**Roll Call:**

**Present:** Sherry Wilkinson, Mary Ellen Imlau, Liz Teufel, Martha Stephenson, Alicia Amberg, Rose Marie Webb, Karen Riley Sievers, Eileen Boggess (Club Coordinator)

**Absent:** Janice Cord (excused), Lubertha McClairen (excused), Toni Van Cleve

**Approval of Minutes of October 11, 2023. Approved as written.**

**President's Report:**

Sherry Wilkinson reported that several special events in which Des Moines Women's Club members participated went well: a visit to the Henry Wallace House, Club Opening Day, the dedication of the Hoyt Sherman Place outdoor plaza, the first Women Who Make a Difference Award presentation, and the performance of the Raccoon Valley Anthology at the Des Moines Area Retired School Personnel Association.

She also highlighted several events that will occur in the near future: a tour of the World Food Prize Hall of Laureates, a second Women Who Make a Difference Award on November 15, a presentation at Grand View University about DMWC and Scholarships on November 16, the Leadership Appreciation Party on December 6, and a tour of holiday lights on December 14.

**President-elect's Report:**

Mary Ellen Imlau is working on the schedule for next year.

There was a discussion of who should be qualified to become President-elect now that the Board is smaller.

She invited new members to participate in decorating Hoyt Sherman Place for the holidays.

**Past President's Report:**

None

**Secretary's Report:**

Liz Teufel reported that cards were sent to Chris Foss, Kathy Broshears, Carol Crandall, Nellie Bobenhouse, Rosemary Hillman, and Betty Creighton. Halloween cards were sent to members who are not able to attend lunches: Beggie Hefner, Ann Driscoll, Dorothy Kelley, and Charlotte Dzoryst.

There was a discussion of who should receive cards from the Club.

**Treasurer's Report:**

The Treasurer's Report for the Month Ending 10/31/2023 and a list of Des Moines Women's Club Maturing CD's were passed out. A CD for \$4,000 matured 11/1/2023 and the money was placed in the Iowa State Bank account. \$8,000 was put into a 5.5% CD maturing 5/2/2025.

**Decorating/History Directors Report:**

Martha Stephenson reported that the holiday decorations will be put up in the house on November 20. Last Thursday the Archives Committee toured the Drake Archives where DMWC materials are stored. There is a graduate student working with our materials.