

VT Wellesley Club Annual Meeting
The Woods, Northfield, VT
April 2, 2016

Present: Jean Archibald, Caroline Wadhams Bennet, Gretchen Besser, Jessica Blackman, Lisa Brucken, Sharon Colvin, Annie Crawford, Holly Crawford, Nancy Dean, Carolyn Elliot, Stephanie Hockensmith, Katy Isaacs, Elizabeth Karet, Wendy Love, Jennie Marx, Kelly McCutcheon Adams, Pat Mraz, Daryl Selen, Sara Simon, Joan Smith, Mary West, Liz Zwick

1:20pm: Business meeting was called to order by Annie Crawford.

Minutes from the 2015 Annual Business Meeting were approved.

- Moved: Carolyn Elliott
- Seconded: Nancy Dean

Summary of Activities from the last year (Daryl Selen & Annie Crawford)

- Young Alum Happy Hour in the Fall
- The Day to Make a Difference in September
 - This year was Apple Picking
- Two Potlucks over the summer
- Annual Cross Country skiing was canceled because there wasn't enough snow
- Burnt Rock Summer Hike
- Madeline Albright Talk at Norwich University
- Alumnae Admissions
 - 5 High School seniors were interviewed
 - 6 students were accepted from Vermont
 - Daryl is organizing a dinner for students, interviewers and their families

Connecting with the Group

- Facebook group (anyone in the group can add someone)
- Paper newsletter
- E-newsletter
- Don't forget to update your address with the Alumnae Office!

Book Awards (Kelly McCutcheon Adams)

- A complete Book Award costs \$35
 - That covers the book, wrapping and shipping
- We currently have \$460 in donations
- Costs for this year are projected at \$1000 (About 32 awards)
- This should be a self-sustaining program
- Kelly will email a list of the participating High Schools

The financial report was approved.

- Moved: Nancy Dean
- Seconded: Mary West

Vacancies on the Vermont Wellesley Club board

- Vice President
 - Jessica Blackman was nominated
- Secretary
 - Lisa Brucken was nominated
- Alumnae Admissions Representative
 - Sara Simon was nominated
- Annie Crawford agreed to continue as webmistress
- Allaire Diamond will take over the book award responsibilities in 2017 (approved at the 2015 meeting).

Slate of officers was approved.

- Moved: Katy Isaacs
- Seconded: Carolyn Elliott

Discussion

- Publishing dues paying members
 - This might make people feel uncomfortable.
 - 13% of Vermont alums pay dues which is pretty comparable to other clubs
- Raising dues?
 - There was concern that this could turn people away
- Five College Book Sale is on April 16 in Lebanon NH.
- The Bylaws are on the website. <https://vermont.alum.wellesley.edu/>

Thank you Nancy Dean '49 for your service!

- Nancy's son sent a letter to the college wanting to recognize her service.
- She has been volunteering at the book sales since 1962.
- She sent two daughters to Wellesley.
- She is currently the Vice President of the Class of 1949.
- She has held many positions in the Vermont Wellesley Club.
- She interviews prospectives and is a tireless volunteer.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Colvin '99