

Tyler A&M Mothers' Club General Meeting

January 19, 2023

The general meeting was held in the Pollard United Methodist Church Parlor at 6:30 p.m. with approximately 32 in attendance including several Aggie Dads. Thanks to Luba Pitonak, Jennifer Davin, and Chris Vordenbaumen for providing the refreshments!

At 6:30 p.m., Margaret Rapp, President, welcomed everyone and said an opening prayer.

Jennifer Davin, Programs, introduced our speakers. **Scott Killough**, an attorney, and father of two Aggies, classes of 2012 and 2015, discussed **estate planning**, including wills, powers of attorney, trusts, guardianship, and living wills. He gave attendees an informational handout. **Brent Primrose '94**, Agency Manager with Texas Farm Bureau, discussed automobile and life **insurance** recommendations. "If anyone's financial situation is going to change if you're not around, you need life insurance." **Philip Davin**, husband of Aggie Mom Jennifer Davin and Financial Advisor with Edward Jones, noted areas that you should discuss with your Aggies: credit protection monitoring, how to use credit, and starting retirement savings now (401Ks and ROTHs). He advised spouses to sit down once per year and discuss financial accounts because "life is fragile." He also gave attendees an informational handout. Jennifer gave each speaker a thank-you gift.

The **minutes** from the November meeting and Christmas Dinner were available. Chris Vordenbaumen made a **motion to approve** the minutes. Jennifer Davin seconded the motion, and it carried with a "Whoop." With no corrections, the minutes stand approved as distributed.

Becky Womack, Treasurer, filed the **Treasurer's Report**. As of December 31st, our balance was \$6,708. We made \$550 on the Christmas raffle.

Margaret noted our upcoming **fundraisers**:

- We are looking at having an **auction** in April. We need donations of items to auction. All proceeds go to our scholarships.
- We are accepting donations for our annual **Garage Sale**.
- We need donations of Aggie T-Shirts for next year's **T-Shirt Quilt** that we will raffle.
- We are making **boot jacks** to sell at **Aggie Mom Boutique** during Family Weekend April 14th – 15th. Luba Pitonak is decorating the boot jacks that Susan LeJeune has stained for us. Luba is planning to have a craft day at her house on January 28th. (Post-Meeting Note: The craft day was moved to February 11th.) We will need volunteers to staff the booth at Boutique.
- We have leftover **items for sale** tonight: duffels for \$20, metal signs for \$25, and ornaments for \$5.

The **scholarship application** will be available soon. We give scholarships to all current student applicants who meet the qualifications.

Chris Vordenbaumen reported that the **Spring Goody Bag** order form is available tonight and online. It will be an insulated cooler. The deadline to order is April 20th. In the fall we sold 80 goody bags. One student asked about more substantial food ("beans") than just snacks, so we are considering adding items like macaroni and cheese.

At our **February meeting**, Chris Wiesinger from Southern Bulb Company will be our speaker. He may bring bulbs for purchase.

Treva Tew, Membership, and Margaret held door prize drawings. Three winners received a prize.

The meeting concluded at 7:50 p.m.

(Minutes by Jessica Knowles, Recording Secretary)