**Proceedings:**

The July General Meeting of the Junior Auxiliary of Hattiesburg, MS was called to order by President, Julie Russum at 6:05 on August 14, 2017 at First Presbyterian Church Room.

Ramona Wicht said the opening prayer.

**Members**

Roll was called by Recording Secretary, Mary Feagans. Present were 75 members.

May and June 2017 General Meeting minutes were transmitted and approved.

**REPORT OF OFFICERS**

**President – Julie Russum Reports**

1. Gave $875 for Boy Scout Seabase adventure for Chris Carver
2. Southern Area Conference was this Saturday August 12, thank you to everyone who attended.
3. Upcoming new member events (Provisional information meeting and Social)- remind board to attend.
4. Lindsay Page has requested to take a year off.
5. CDC Sandra Chaves will attend 9/11/17 meeting
6. Kendy Kosko has resigned.
7. Please pick up updated Constitution pages at the back of the room.

**First Vice-President – Julie Russum Reports for Kim Wingo**

1. General meeting voting will take place in the large fellowship room upstairs
2. Letters will be mailed out Tuesday, August 15th, and members who sponsored an application will be notified Tuesday of the status of their nominee.
3. JA Provisional Informational Session will be on Thursday, August 24th at 9:30 at First Presbyterian Fellowship Hall.  We encourage anyone to attend but especially those that sponsored a newly selected provisional.
4. Mark Your Calendars!  Provisional Social will be on held Thursday evening, September 7th at 6p.m. at the home of  Dr. Jacob and Mary Feagans home 1100 S. 34th Ave.

**Second Vice-President – Mary Clayton Dunn Reports**

1. Bags of Hope would like approval for all members to receive 1 service hour for providing needed items. 2nd VP recommends approving this request based on a significant portion of our membership not being assigned 1 time projects (hours). This was approved by the board.
2. New name for the combined backpack/school uniform project is "Back to School”

**Recording Secretary – Mary Feagans Reports**

No report

**Corresponding Secretary – Brooke Paladichuk Reports**

Requests for working status approved at July/August board meeting:

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| Amanda Lee |
| Bethanie DeFatta |
| Catherine White |
| Courtney Heldt |
| Heather Odom |
| Jennifer Clark |
| Jennifer Pattie |
| Meredith West |
| Michelle Turk |
| Natalie Maddox |
| Nena Mauritz  |
| Staci Cox |
| Summer Eades |
| Valerie Horne |

**Hours Secretary – Alicia Westbrook Reports**

The Hours Reporting Timesheet has been updated for more accurate reporting and to reflect our new projects and gala. Additionally, It is my hope that the provisional class will be reporting hours electronically.  We can pilot electronic reporting with provisionals to see if this is something that would work for all members.

**Treasurer – Lacey Miller Reports**

See attached

**Assistant Treasurer – April Gray Reports**

No Report

**REPORT OF COMMITTEES**

**Finance Chairman – Lesley Sanders-Wood Reports**

Decorations Committee, Meeting August 22 6pm location TBA

Please finalize your cash assignments. Everyone has been asked to secure at least one cash sponsor. If everyone on your list has declined, please contact Valerie Horne to discuss a new assignment.

If you did not pick up your ticket envelope at our May meeting please contact Summer Eades (281-736-2099  call or text)  to arrange pick up of your tickets.  Included in this envelope are your 5 mobile bidding tickets ($10 each)  and 1 live auction raffle ticket ($100) each member is required to sell.   I still have 9 envelopes that have not been picked up.

Please continue to sell your 5 mobile bidding tickets ($10 each) and your 1 live auction raffle ticket ($100).  Each member is responsible for selling these 6  tickets.

Each member will be required to purchase a Gala ticket ($125) at the August meeting.  Please come prepared with cash or a check.  Members will not be able to purchase their ticket online this year.

**Awards – Jamie Griffin Reports**

Submitted applications to NAJA for both Betty Robbins Volunteer of the Year Award and Award of Excellence on July 1, 2017. Nominations for Humanitarian of the Year are open until Septmeber 1, 2017. Press Conference date TBD.

**Family Affair – Valerie Horne Reports**

No Report

**Welfare –Ramona Wicht Reports**

We assisted single mothers in need of one-time assistance with rent and utilities in the amount of $700 in June and $600 in July.

**Public Relations- Natalie Pittman Reports**

**I.** Working on article and ads for Charity Auction & Gala.

II. Will have car decals for meeting Monday.

III. Will start taking pre-orders for Gala t-shirts and orders for new blue shirts (if needed)

IV. Working with Jennifer on Christmas shirt idea

V.thanks to Lesley Wood and April Gray (and myself!) for going on Midday this summer.  I need a speaker from Special Olympics, Vision Screen or other for September

**Self-Evaluation – Blair Riley Reports**

Ladies please remember to go online to our JA website to fill out an Evaluation form for all projects you participated in this summer. There are also forms on the table you can fill out & I will pick up after the meeting. You will get one hour:)

**Social – Jennifer Stevens-Nicholson Reports**

Will give updates on dates and times for new provision information meeting and the provisional social. Will discuss with committee the option of having events catered paid for by members.

**Scholarship- Amanda Powell Reports**

No Report

**Project Finding – Summer Eades Reports**

No Report

**Website – Jami King Reports**

No Report

**Constitution/Bylaws – Alicia McLemore Reports**

No Report

**Education – Dannell Roberts Reports**

No Report

**Nominating – Kim Davis Reports**

No Report

**Crown Club – Rachael Mayo**

Crown Club workshop will be August 27, 2017 1:30-4:30 at Temple Baptist Church. This will kick off our year. Our committee will meet Sunday August 20 to assemble folders and tie up all loose ends for 2017-2018 Crown Club.

**Liftetime Member Affiliate – Justice Duhon**

Lesley and I had a successful lunch meeting with a group of past presidents over the summer to roll out our changes, ask for feedback and most importantly, ask them to ATTEND! I am in the process of setting up meetings with classes of past members to do the same thing in hopes of sparking their interest. If there is anyone you feel I need to personally call or meet with, please let me know!

**On-Going Projects**

**Backpack/School Uniforms – Jaime Griffin Reports**

**Bags of Hope – Julie Howdeshell Reports**

**Done in a Day- Laurie McCarty Reports**

**Dubard Design – Brandie Sharpe Reports**

**Food for the Soul – Mary Feagans Reports**

**Kid Power – Tinkye Cooper Reports**

**Kids Culture – Brooke Paladichuk Reports**

**Pennington’s Night Out – Courtney Tomlinson Reports**

**Special Olympics- April Gray Reports**

**Vison Screening – Shelly Russum Reports**

**Wardrobe Warehouse – Amanda Butler Lee Reports**

**Youth Shelter – Jami King Reports**

**One Time Projects**

**#whatstrending – Amanda Neuendorf Reports**

**Civitan Camp Carnival –Natalie Pittman Reports**

**Rock-a-Bye – Amber Keene Reports**

**Smart Art – Bethany Defatta Reports**

The July general chapter meeting of the Junior Auxiliary of Hattiesburg, MS held on August 14, 2017, was adjourned at 6:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Feagans