**Proceedings:**

The January General Meeting of the Junior Auxiliary of Hattiesburg, MS was called to order by President, Julie Russum at 6:02pm on February 5, 2018 at First Presbyterian Church.

Julie Howdeshell said the opening prayer.

**Members**

Roll was called by Recording Secretary, Mary Feagans. Present were 71 members and 16 provisional members.

January 2018 General Meeting minutes were transmitted and approved.

**REPORT OF OFFICERS**

**President – Julie Russum Reports**

1. The budget committee has recommended the funding as listed below:

Dolly Parton Imagination Library -$ 250

Read Across America - $250-

Homes of Home for Children - $750

1. AEC - request for attendees- Dannell will review material and send information out to general membership, it is in Mobile this year and we encourage members to attend

**First Vice-President – Kim Wingo Reports**

Introduction of Finance Co-Chairs Meredith West & Danielle Silkman, I will ask Meredith to briefly speak as I believe she is going to announce the date for Gala this year.

Ashley Castleman- we are happy to announce that Tall Pines Garden Club has made a generous donation to our provisional project, enough to cover one Caring Cradle.

Meredith West- The date for Gala this year is Friday Nov 9, 2018 at the Bottling Company.

**Second Vice-President –Julie Russum Dunn Reports for Mary Clayton Dunn**

Project Committee met, will present recommendations at Project meeting following this meeting.

Members will rank projects for placement at next month’s meeting.

**Recording Secretary – Mary Feagans Reports**

No report

**Corresponding Secretary – Brooke Paladichuk**

No report

**Hours Secretary – Alicia Westbrook Reports**

Dec. Hours

Admin: 102

Ed: 70

Service: 226

Finance: 349

Total: 747

At this point, you should have approximately 50 hours- 8 ed; 20 service; 15 finance.

If you are concerned about your hours, please talk with Julie, contact the chair of your projects, and be on the lookout for Laurie’s announcements about Done in a Day. Additionally, make plans to attend the luncheon & add 1 educational hour if you attended the January meeting.

**Treasurer – Lacey Miller Reports**

See attached

**Assistant Treasurer – April Gray Reports**

No report

**REPORT OF COMMITTEES**

**Finance Chairman – Lesley Wood Reports**

We are around 80,882 for Gala so far this year.  We have small amount outstanding from the auction.  There were only 14 unsold this year.

**Awards – Jaime Griffin Reports**

No report

**Family Affair – Valerie Horne Reports**

No report

**Welfare – Ramona Wicht Reports**

We maxed out our giving again this month, helping single-parent families with utilities, rent and necessities to keep them warm, fed and housed!

Because Back to School has only used a very small portion of their budget for the year and they do not anticipate needing any more supplies. The board voted for the $7000 excess for Back to Schools to be transferred to Welfare budget because of the great need this year.

**Public Relations- Natalie Pittman Reports**

Amanda Powell will represent JA scholarships on Friday.  Next month will focus on Crown Club.

**Scholarship- Amanda Powell Reports**

Emails and application packets containing an informational letter and three paper applications have gone out to all high school counselors in the area. Students may also apply online on the JA website ([hattiesburgjuniorauxiliary.org](http://hattiesburgjuniorauxiliary.org)) but will have to send their  transcripts and recommendation letters (2 per applicant) by postal mail. The scholarships are awarded based on the applicant’s qualifications with special attention to their community service efforts. In addition to service efforts, points are awarded based on academic achievement  with sensitivity to need. Please encourage any high school seniors you may know who would qualify to apply (babysitters, employees, church members, friends’ children, colleagues’ children, etc.).  The deadline for applications is March 31, 2018.

**Self-Evaluation – Blair Riley Reports**

No report

**Social – Jennifer Stevens-Nicholson Reports**

April 17th will be Spring Luncheon at the Bottling Company

**Project Finding – Summer Eades Reports**

Board project meeting was held Monday, Jan 22nd.  The board is proposing to eliminate the following projects:  Kid Power, Vision Screening and Back Pack.

Also, there will be no new projects added for the 2018-2019 year.

**Website – Jami King Reports**

No report

**Constitution/Bylaws – Alicia McLemore Reports**

No Report

**Education – Dannell Roberts Reports**

No report

**Nominating – Kim Davis Reports**

The nominating committee would like to propose the following slate of officers for 2018-2019:

President- Kim Wingo

First VP-Mary Clayton Dunn

2nd VP-Amanda Powell

Recording Secretary- Lindsay Caminita

Treasurer- Lacey Miller

Hours Secretary-Carol Sibley

Assistant Treasurer/Membership Coordinator-Heather Odom

Corresponding Secretary-Catherine White

**Crown Club – Rachael Mayo Reports**

Crown Club Meeting Feb 4 1:30 pm, Temple Baptist Church WC126.  Crown Club will be serving at Night to Shine Feb 9, Children’s Center Carnival (race) Feb 17 and Special Olympics Feb 24.

Applications will be accepted March 1-31, 2018 for girls entering 10th and 11th grades.

**Lifetime Member Affiliate – Justice Duhon Reports**

No report

**On-Going Projects**

**Back to School – Jaime Griffin Reports**

We provided uniforms for 4 children (Woodley and Lillie Burney) in January

**Bags of Hope – Julie Howdeshell Reports**

Bags of Hope committee members will meet at 5:30 prior to the full JA meeting on Monday.

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

Done In A Day:
\* Still need 1 volunteer 9- 12 on Thursday mornings for Abbie Rogers.
\* United Way Community Baby Shower-
      - asking for donation of 200 packs of baby wipes.
     - will be helping to stuff 200 bags for the baby shower... date tba. Sometime in March

\*several upcoming projects, will post on Facebook and email:

 Fri Feb 9 set up for Night to Shine, March 22-24 debate NCFCA at temple, Saturday Feb

 17 clean up storage unit, March 27 Lamar County Roll and Read

**Dubard Design – Brandie Sharpe Reports**

Our next Dubard project is Wednesday, February 7. We will be doing a valentine craft with the children. We will serve about 80 children.

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

Next date to serve at Christian Services is February 12, 10-1.

**Kid Power –Meredith West Reports**

Kid power will meet Feb 13th at 4pm at First Tee of the Pine Belt. Ramona will be doing photography

**Kids Culture – Brooke Paladichuk Reports**

Wednesday Feb 21st at 9:15am. We’ll be doing an early Easter craft with the kids.

**Pennington’s Night Out –Leslie Cucullu Reports**

Monday, February 12 6:00 at the ARC. Valentine’s themed dinner and desert will be served.

**Special Olympics- Amber Wadsworth Reports**

Spring games feb 24th at payne Center 9:00-12. JA will be doing Olympic village. Brief committee meeting after feb 5 meeting to sign up for duties

**Vison Screening – Shelly Russum Reports**

No report

**Wardrobe Warehouse – Daniele Tatum Reports**

No report

**Youth Shelter – Jami King Reports**

No report

**One Time Projects**

**#whatstrending – Amanda Neuendorf Reports**

No Report

**Civitan Camp Carnival –Natalie Pittman Reports**

No Report

**Rock-a-Bye – Amber Keene Reports**

 No report

**Smart Art – Bethanie Defatta Reports**

We had a great time at the event, 15 kids attended. It was less than what signed up, but I believe the weather was the cause. The kids had nutrition, art, dance and photography. Thank you to all the committee members that were able to come help, it was fun!

**No new business.**

**No unfinished business.**

The January general chapter meeting of the Junior Auxiliary of Hattiesburg, MS held on February 5, 2018 was adjourned at 6:42pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Feagans