

Payette Lake Progressive Club Membership Meeting
Potluck at Spring Mountain Ranch Clubhouse
December 10, 2019 @ Noon

The club enjoyed a holiday potluck and our guest speaker presentation from
12:00pm – 1:00 pm.

GUEST SPEAKER

Our guest Speaker, Dr. Bryan Williams, has served as President of McCall College, a local non-profit specialty college since 2011. Prior to that role, he served as Chair of the Department and Associate Professor of Ethics and Religion at Warner Pacific University in Portland, Oregon.

McCall College is an affordable non-profit, private, independent college offering professional-technical programs and community education. The programs are highly relevant to today's education needs: business, life skills, and the creative arts. Some of the courses are portfolio-based so students have the opportunity of transferring their education to other colleges and universities. McCall College also serves its community by integrating education with work-study and internships. Most educational resources are presented on computers. Dr. Williams discussed the need for more computers and software in the library and the need for more local volunteers as tutors. They work closely with Heartland and McCall Donnelly High Schools.

McCall College also offers a GED program to assist individuals lacking a high school diploma earn a high school equivalency credential. Dr. Williams discussed the need for this program and the large number of individuals in Valley County that do not have high-school diplomas. He also discussed the significant differences in wages for those with and without a high school diploma. For more information on McCall College please visit mccallcollege.org.

Following the conclusion of the speaker's presentation, the business meeting was called to order by Club President, Penny Williamson, at 1:00 pm. Penny introduced our new members and guests.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treone Cooley, club treasurer, reported on the club financials as of November 30, 2019. The ending checkbook balance was reported by Treone as \$41,000. The available philanthropic funds were reported as \$15,000 and the general fund as \$9,000. Treone noted that we raised \$11,275 at the Festival of Trees Fundraiser and have donated \$98,000 to the community over the last seven years. She noted that we purchased a club IPAD to be used by the treasurer and with the credit card square at our fundraisers.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Camilla Switzer, Vice President, gave the Membership Report. Camilla reported that 19 new members have joined the club since June. There are now 108 members.

MEETING MINUTES: The October 8, 2019, minutes were e-mailed out prior to the meeting to all members. There were no corrections to the minutes. Linda Hallock made a motion to approve the minutes as distributed. Joanne Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE: Gail DiBenedetto, Club Secretary, read a thank you letter from the PLCA 4 Kids afterschool non-profit program, thanking us for our \$3,500 grant. The grant was used for scholarships for families who cannot afford the program. Gail also read a thank you note from the Long Valley Preservation Society for the PLPC grant that will be used to paint the store at RoseBerry.

FUNDRAISING REPORT: Penny Williamson, Club President thanked Nicole Musgrove, Linda Hallock, Jennie Tunnell, Joanne Miller, Treone Cooley and the entire fundraising committee for all their work on the Festival of Trees fundraiser. Linda Hallock, fundraising chair thanked Nicole Musgrove for bringing the Festival of Trees to the Progressive Club and for chairing the event. Linda discussed the success of the event. Vendors did well, our raffle raised \$1000, and the event netted \$11,275 to be used for grants and scholarships for the community.

NEW BUSINESS

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Penny solicited volunteers for a nominating committee to present a roster of board officers and committee chairs for the coming year. Linda Hallock, Beverly Hellman, Jet Johnson, Kathy Menten and Cheryl Meinzer volunteered. Penny also asked members to consider becoming more involved by joining a committee. A list was passed among the members to solicit volunteers and club participation.

Beverly Hellman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:50 pm. Linda Pool seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail DiBenedetto, Secretary