

# SedonaKind Meeting Minutes - February 16, 2018

Attendees: Laurie Dawe, Katie Hamilton, Jawn McKinley, Mary Feeney, Carol Wallen, Patti Broad, Ruti Lovitt, Sandy Brandvold, Gloria Woody, Cheri Baldwin, Lyn Braam, Pat Priore, Janet Marshall, Linda Brecher, Karen Scott, Kathy Huffstettler, Lucy Paradise, Kim Corey, Heather Molans. Guests: Gretchen Vorbeck, Susie Fairchild, Judith Fogarty.

Sandy welcomed new members and opened the floor for Kindness Stories.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**KINDNESS BLOOMS UPDATE:** Katie let us know that 24 of the 70 watercolors/oils have sold. To make a purchase, go to <https://www.sedonakind.org/art-sale.html>. MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR MAY 6<sup>TH</sup> AT SAC FROM 1-4.

**KINDNESS IN SCHOOLS/KIS:** Gloria told us of possible plans of joining with Rotary to show a movie to kids at SPAC. Jawn talked about getting more cohesive guidelines for what does/doesn't constitute bullying, and how to respond.

**KINDNESS WALL:** Feelers are out for locations, but the committee is on hiatus until after the Film Festival.

**OPERATION SPECIAL DELIVERY/RANDOM ACTS OF GARDENING:** Kim showed pots that she has chosen, and shared that she is already planning the plants/purchase! Cheri made wonderful hangers to hold our cards and charms! The Charmers already finished the charms. Life Is Good - this project is in great hands...all we have to do is plant on April 9<sup>th</sup> and deliver the week of the 20<sup>th</sup>. Be sure to get your recipient list to Sandy at [sandybrandvold1@gmail.com](mailto:sandybrandvold1@gmail.com).

## OTHER UPDATES

**PEO & SEDONA MONTHLY:** Jawn reported on our upcoming Outreach to a PEO; coverage in Sedona Monthly; and the ad in the SIFF catalog (couldn't be a better location!)...watch for the ad on the big screen while attending movies!!! Thanks to Jawn and John for making this happen.

**IN KIND DONATIONS:** Jawn asked that we all keep track of our time and monetary donations to assist in future grant writing.

**BLESSING BAGS:** Jawn reminded us to start a box to fill as we come across items that will work. Think: toiletries, socks, gloves, dental supplies, shavers, combs, Q-tips, Band-Aids, chap sticks, etc.

**CHARMERS:** Sandy was pleased to announce that the Charmers have stepped up. They finished the 60 needed for Meals on Wheels; 50 for Operation Special Delivery; 10 for Kindness Blooms; 42 for Teacher Appreciation Day; and are now working on 25 for the PEO presentation. AMAZING!

**OPEN FORUM - IDEAS FOR TEACHERS:** These are the ideas that the group agreed were doable. We will now determine who/how/when. Some upfront work will be done this month, with the remainder to be discussed in our March meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup>.

1. Partnering with *We Value Our Teachers* in some way: Grocery cards - Spreading the word about their golf tournament on May 8th. Sandy to visit more with Gretchen.
2. Partner with Rotary for programs/events. Gloria and Jawn to keep us informed.
3. Help Teachers with *Donors Choose* and the *Wish List* - we need a coordinator to explain what is needed to get them started.
4. Businesses to *Adopt a Classroom* - Jawn to find out from the Principal what classrooms might be the neediest and start there. She also thinks that El Rincon could be our first business to approach. It was suggested that someone also approach Staples.
5. We decided to purchase one Chromebook for the Red Rock Junior High. Sandy to talk to the Principal next week about this program.
6. Gloria to find out about after-school programs that need supplies (i.e. the Bicycle Club) and report back to us next month.
7. We want to expand Teacher Appreciation Day to Teacher Appreciation Week! (Week of May 7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>) Bring ideas to the March meeting.
8. Ask Teachers what they want/need most - beyond the *Wish List*. We might want to take them a list of suggestions: catered breakfast or lunch; help cleaning/decorating the classroom for changing holidays or seasons; etc.

**BOXES OF LOVE reminder:** Let Me/Sandy know if you plan to attend on March 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:00. So far, I only have Jawn, Joy, Carol and Gloria. Bring your scissors! Let me if you need directions or my gate code. [sandybrandvold1@gmail.com](mailto:sandybrandvold1@gmail.com)

We finished our meeting by assembling gift bags for the Meals on Wheels drivers! What a group!!!

