## **CROATAN WOMEN'S CLUB OCTOBER 18, 2021 MEETING MINUTES**

President Amanda Robinson welcomed the group and thanked Linda Ritchie-Royal for hosting the meeting. Linda's home was decorated with amazing Halloween décor, and members were encouraged to wear costumes. The Program Committee had prepared a Mexican Feast with seasonal cocktails and provided prizes for the costume contest winners. Congratulations to the winners – Three Blind Mice, The Mermaid Mafia and Lots of Sheets!

Amanda asked the five (5) new members to introduce themselves, and the group welcomed them!

- 32 Members attended this meeting.
- Margaret Roomsburg reported that the club had \$2,048.88 in its bank account, and 46 paid members.
- Those members who had not voted electronically on the proposed by-law amendments were asked to vote by paper ballot as they entered the meeting.
  - All amendments passed by a strong majority of the membership. The club's by-laws will be updated for these amendments and will be posted for members to review.
- Amanda reviewed the memorial plaque proposal recommended by the Board to honor deceased CWC members. The Board will be updating the current plaque posted on the support post of the "Lou Kitchen Bridge" between Secotan and Christine Drives. This updated plaque will be weather durable and will include space for individual name plates for each deceased member. At current count the Board will be providing 12 individual name plates in addition to the updated memorial plaque.

There was some discussion regarding upkeep of the rose garden adjacent to the bridge, also planted to honor deceased CWC members. Amanda indicated that emails would be sent to encourage members to volunteer their time and effort to help maintain this area. In addition, an email will be sent to the members to update them when the new plaques have been installed.

\*\*\*The Board has approved the cost of the plaques being deducted from the club's funds\*\*\*

- Mary Adams Program Chair, updated the group on the upcoming programs
  - November 8<sup>th</sup> Sip & Paint Please submit \$15.00 in advance to reserve one of the limited spots if you'd like to paint. 6:30pm for food and fellowship 7:00pm for painting. Keep your eyes open for the notices about this fun event!
  - December 13<sup>th</sup> Christmas Holiday Gathering ugly sweater contest!
  - January New Year's Polar Plunge! Stay tuned for date weather dependent
  - Notices will be sent to CWC members and posted on Next Door prior to each event. Please encourage your new neighbors to attend! Also – pre-sale of CWC Cocktail Calendars is happening now. Reserve yours before November 15<sup>th</sup>! Contact Mary Adams for more information.

Amanda ended the meeting by thanking all attendees.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Callahan Secretary