

Alma Area BPW
September 9, 2009
Saravilla Bed & Breakfast

Members Present: Jayne Norris, Guest – Jayne’s mother-in law from Chile,
Lisa Fish, Laura Krebs, Carol Layman, Pam Knowlton, Connie Katt,
Wendy Lombard, Vickie Dawe, Marci Browne

Guest Speaker was Deb Doherty from Alma College speaking on Ecuadorian
Student exchange starting in 2012

Meeting was called to order by Jayne Norris at 7:10 pm. Club Collect and Pledge of Allegiance
to the Flag Introduction of our guest from Chile.

May minutes read, approved and placed on file
Treasurers report reviewed and placed on file

Old Business - Motion made by Pam and seconded by Wendy to approve the 2009-2010
proposed budget.

Woman of Achievement – dinner and awards ceremony will be in Battle Creek on Saturday,
Oct. 24 in conjunction with the State Conference Oct 23-25. Marci Browne is being honored
from our club for this award

New Business – three nominations were received for Young Careerist award. Connie Katt,
Chairperson for the ceremony announced a dessert reception will be held at 6:30 pm on
Thursday, Oct. 22 at Alma College. The winner will be announced at that time.

Carol Layman reported on State convention that she attended. Nat’l BPW Federation no longer
exists and has been turned over to Nat’l Foundation. Advocacy will continue in Wash., D.C.
Not sure yet if Michigan will stay with the National Foundation beyond a year.
Membership fees will be \$77 with \$17 applying to our local group.

Membership – Marci suggested we link our website to cities in Gratiot Co.

Princess Ball – Discussion on ways to improve the flow of participants for getting photos taken,
tactful ways to limit the dance to girls and their escorts only, etc.

Young Careerist – Committee will be meeting soon to choose the winner.

Reality Store – N/A

Legislative – Carol mentioned pending legislation – Paycheck Fairness Act, Parental Leave Act

Special Service – Tuesday, Sept. 15 set for highway cleanup this fall. Meet at 6 pm at

Powell’s Service in St. Louis

Scholarship – N/A

Website – Laura will work on getting updated photos on our website

Basket Drawing – Connie winner, Emblem benediction, Meeting Adjourned at 8:05 pm

Respectfully submitted

Pam Knowlton, Alma Area BPW Secretary

