

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

DATE: May 21, 2020

WELCOME and CALL TO ORDER – President Claudia Thomas called the meeting to order using ZOOM conferencing. at 10:00 a.m. on May 21, 2020.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – N/A

PRESIDENT’S REMARKS - Claudia Thomas – present

1. Approve changes to SOP
2. Foundation fund information from Jane Wright if there is time.
3. Thanks again to all board members this year!
4. Can we find a way to contribute something to our charities and scholarships? Donations from members, using some of the money from the operating account, any other ideas. Jane Wright, you suggested an account through the Foundation. I would like to know more about this, especially if it means we could use this as a way to make contributions tax deductible for our members.
5. I have mailed almost all the refund checks to the businesses and sponsors of the Home Tour and will be done by the end of this week. Martha sent back checks she had not yet cashed to the businesses. Four businesses told us to keep the checks for a total of \$280.00
6. The board members leaving will need to make sure to be in contact with their replacement and share any information they can for the position.
7. Unfinished business I gladly leave to the next board (even though it still includes me!): SOP review, and storage of minutes. We could vote on the SOP review that has been done and leave the bit about storage for the next board to tackle. I know one bone of contention in the SOP was whether to have a newsletter in June

Discussion:

Iris Wright made the following motion:

I move to approve the SOP with the revisions.

The motion was seconded by Linda Eise and approved by the Board.

Since the last three luncheons were cancelled due to the pandemic, the following selected charities did not receive any contributions:

March = Comfort Dog Ministry
April = Midwest Children’s Burn Camp
May = Big Brothers Big Sisters

Sue Bleigh made the following motion:

I move to give \$200 from the operating fund to each of the three charities that would have received checks.

Jane Ferris seconded the motion and the Board approved it.

RECORDING SECRETARY: Donna Hamilton – present

Motion was made by Linda Eise to approve the March and April minutes. It was seconded by Jane Wright and the motion was approved.

TREASURER – Jane Ferris – present

Motion was made by Chris Seifert to approve the Treasurer's Report. It was seconded by Sue Bleigh and the motion was approved.

**NL Treasurer Report as of May 31, 2020
Updated after Board Meeting**

Operating Account

Balance Forward	\$12,241.57
Total Receipts	160.00
Total Disbursements	<u>62.29</u>

Statement Balance **\$12,339.28**

Outstanding Checks

3092 Lake Area Big Broth	200.00
3094 Midwest Children Burn	200.00
3096 Christ the King	200.00
3098 Jane Wright	<u>124.34</u>

Balance **\$11,614.94**

Home Tour Account

Balance Forward	\$6,264.44
Total Receipts	0.00
Total Disbursements	<u>4,508.00</u>

Statement Balance **\$1,756.44**

Outstanding Check 1162,1169,1182,1202,1176,1192,1190,1201,1188,1184,1186

Total Outstanding Checks	<u>\$1,320.00</u>
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Balance **\$436.44**

1st VICE PRESIDENT - Jane Wright - present- no report due to cancellation of luncheons.

2ND VICE PRESIDENT – Robyn Roehl – absent - report stands as submitted below.

I have canceled our October 1, 2020 kick off Cards and Games at the Ozark Yacht Club. I have rescheduled it at the Senior Center behind Hyvee. The reason I did this is because of the uncertainty with Covid 19 I figured it would be easier to work with Rosie and the Senior Center if we needed to cancel as it got closer. I will wait to work on other locations until we know how the summer shapes up.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY – Iris Wright – present - report stands as submitted.

March/April 2020 card list

Jane Ferris – Sympathy - passing of her mother

Paul Schoessler – Sympathy - passing of his wife, Rose Marie Schoessler.

MEMBERSHIP - Paula Constantini – present - report stands with additions

NC/LT Membership Report as of May, 2020

Basically, there are no changes since last month except for eight (8) renewals.

We currently have 296 members. Attached is the Excel Spreadsheet. The Directory will be sent under separate cover. The EVITE Count is 280.

Beginning this month, I will also be including an EVITE count. If you create an evite in the future and see more than a 20-name difference between the evite list and our excel list or directory, please let me know ASAP and before you send out your Evite.

I have updated the EVITE Instructions from all the bits and piece that I have inherited as well as my lessons learned. You will find it attached with the Directory. I am asking Nanci to include it on our Website for reference.

June Update

We currently have 295 members, both on Excel and in the Directory. This month there were six renewals. We lost one member because she moved to Colorado. The Evite list stands at 279.

COMMUNITY AWARENESS – Linda Eise – present - no report due to cancellation of activities

DINING OUT – Julie Lane-Van Meter – absent - no report due to cancellation of activities.

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES – Martha Black Morrow – present – no report due to cancellation of activities.

PUBLICITY – Kathy Reed - present - Kathy sent an article to the media about the cancellation of the annual home tour. Several members reported seeing it on LakeExpo.com.

NEWSLETTER – Susan Akscin - absent – no report

The May newsletter has gone out.

HOSPITALITY – Chris Seider – present

Chris has reserved the Elks club for the fall kick-off which will be held on Thursday, September 17. However, a contract has not been signed, so we can make sure the event will be able to take place.

WEBSITE/SOCIAL MEDIA - Nancie Boland - present - no report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Storage of minutes.

The SOP review committee did not tackle the 2011 update on storage which probably needs to be looked at and revamped. It would probably be good to keep treasurer information, but the rest seems excessive. In January, we voted to keep board minutes for two years.

Giving Circle – Report from Jane Wright:

I did some serious checking into the giving circle fund and found this out. Grant distributions must be made to organizations classified by the IRS as 501(c)3 organizations, recognized houses of worship, educational institutions and incorporated government entities and not classified as private foundations under 509(a). Scholarship payments cannot be made out of Giving Circle funds, but grants can be made to an accredited educational institution – we're just not able to direct the grant to benefit one student. So a giving circle will not work for

Newcomers. My hope was to find some way to collect donations that would not be a burden on our treasurer, generate tax deduction letters, and collect some interest all at the same time.

But in reality, we are a social club and just need to get through this year's dilemma of honoring our commitment to our chosen charities and scholarships. Two thoughts:

1. Ask our membership for donations to the Home Tour account so that we can raise money to give out. This could be an article in a newsletter or a general appeal on our website. The dollar amount collected by December is the amount we can then give out.
2. Take the money in the Home Tour account, along with general funds to give out and be done. My one concern here is that taking money from our general account may upset members who believe that we are a social organization and not a philanthropic group. They may not want their dues to be used in this manner.

We normally don't give scholarship and charity money until December. We have time on our side to consider options. A good point that Sue made is that those who so chose to be charitable and give to a non-profit can do that on their own.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business at this time.

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded, and approved by the Board.

The next meeting will be scheduled by the new N/L President, Deb Nickless.

ATTENDEES	ATTENDEES	ABSENT
Claudia Thomas Kathy Reed Paula Constantini Iris Wright Chris Seider Sue Bleigh Nancie Boland	Martha Black Morrow Donna Hamilton Jane Ferris Jane Wright Linda Eise	Robyn Roehl Susan Akscin Julie Lane-Van Meter