

# MINUTES CWL General Meeting

### **Blessed Sacrament Parish, Amherstview, Ontario**

DATE/TIME: Tuesday, November 10, 2015

LOCATION: Blessed Sacrament Church Hall, Amherstview, Ontario

**In Attendance:** Kelly Neville, Theresa Shanks, Margaret Wilson, Mary Seiffert, Bernadette Burgess, Sue MacDonald, Eleanor Wagar, Donna Guiney, Danna Dobson, Ann Leclair, Shirley McDonald, Noreen D'eon, Susan Aubin, Betty Hutcheson, Diane Raffael, Carol Daigle, Bernadette Veitch, Mary Lou Hills

#	Executive Reports	Presenter
1.	Welcome and call of meeting to order	Bernadette Veitch
2.	Opening prayer: Prayer to Our Lady of Good Counsel	Donna Guiney
3.	Spiritual Advisor – Change in Mass and here on Wednesday, Nov. 11, is at Blessed Sacrament and not Briargate, Book of Remembrance can be found at entrance to the church. You can inscribe the name of your deceased family members in it.The 12 days of Christmas begin December 25 <sup>th</sup> and end at the feast of the Baptism of Our Lord.	Donna Guiney
4.	At this point we celebrated the beginning of 20 years as a council with a cake and a 20 minute social hour.	Shirley McDonald
5.	Approval of minutes of October 13, meeting. Corrected minutes will reflect correction regarding treasurer's report and inclusion of Margaret Wilson attending the meeting. Moved by Ann Leclair and seconded by Susan Aubin.	
6.	Treasurer's Report: Bazaar income was 4,710.00 Total Income for the year is 8,266.00.	Kelly Neville
7.	Membership Report: Carol has received 13 paid members to date. She will speak to membership in the League before Masses in January. She will have a table in the entrance to the church during the membership drive for members to renew.	Carol Daigle
8.	President's Report: Bernadette sincerely thanked all who worked at the bazaar, before – making crafts, baking, silent auction and manning booths and tea table during the bazaar. She asked Committee chairs to prepare a concise report concerning their various activities held during 2015. She will be presenting our Council's annual report to the Diocesan Council during the week of Nov. 22-28. Margie Royle, President Diocesan Council, sent greetings commending us on our 20 years as a council. We are hoping to provide special ways to celebrate our 20 <sup>th</sup> anniversary throughout the coming year in three ways: Social ("One Voice") the community breakfast on November 29 <sup>th</sup> hosted by the Knights of Columbus), Spiritual ("One Heart") and a Learning("One Mission") – business- experience.	Bernadette Veitch
9.	Past President's Report: Shirley was seeking help for someone to assist her in going through our photo albums and helping her identify members in the various pictures.	Shirley McDonald
10.	Old Business:  10.1. Foster Family: Major breadwinner is only receiving 28 hours of work each week. With the amount from the Wellness Fair of 44.00 plus a further 50.05 cents from our monthly box from which we were able to provide the family with 371.80 this year. An anonymous donor has already promised to supply the family with a Christmas dinner. Donna moved that we will further assist the family with an additional donation of 120 dollars from the Parish Assistance fund. Eleanor Wagar moved the donation with Mary Seifert seconding. There was one opposed. We will revisit this if we are to continue with assisting this family in 2016.	Donna Guiney



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10.2 Snowflake Bazaar: This year there were 65 items in the Silent Auction, a new table for baskets with two outside booths: the Knights of Columbus nativity set raffles and Andre Martins selling calendars for Catholic Missions in Canada. Attendance was down this year due to changes in the parade route plus free hot dogs were offered at the fire hall thus our tea table did not do well this year. Shirley moved to to change the date of the bazaar from the first Saturday in November to the Saturday following November 11. Carol Daigle seconded the motion. Shirley further moved that we donate \$2000 dollars to the parish to assist them financially. This would increase our annual donation to the parish of 1400 dollars by 600 dollars. Mary Seifert seconded the motion. Carried

Shirley McDonald

10.3 20th Anniversary: Reminder for members to obtain their Community Breakfast tickets for November 29. Guests do pay.

#### **Standing Committees Reports**

Due to the elections there were no standing committee reports given at this meeting.

#### 12. **New Business:**

12.1 Elections: Shirley thanked fellow Committee members Marie Pemberton and Mary Lou Hills. Letters were sent out to members. 23 members were nominated as chairs for the various committees and were contacted by the elections committee. Of the 23 only Margaret Wilson accepted her nomination as a committee chair. A motion to acclaim Margaret, as chair of the Communications Committee, was made by Carol Daigle with Mary Seifert seconding the motion. Motion carried. Shirley then asked for volunteers. The following allowed their names to stand as chairpersons for vacant chairs were:

Shirley McDonald

Spiritual Development: Bernadette Burgess. Bernadette Veitch moved that Bernadette be accepted as chair. Carol Daigle seconded. Carried Community Life: Carol Daigle. Bernadette Veitch moved that Carol be accepted as chair, Kelly Neville seconded the nomination. Carried Education: Donna Guiney. Motion: Kelly Neville, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ann Leclair. Carried Health: Mary Lou Hills. Motion Mary Seifert, 2nd by Noreen D'eon. Carried

Adjournment Bernadette Veitch 13.

Closing prayer was the prayer for our diocesan partner, St. Denis in Athens.

Next meeting is Pot Luck Supper December 9th.

Reminder: November 21st: Annual Diocesan CWL Retreat at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish. Registration begins at 9:00

We are invited to attend the feast of the Immaculate Conception at the

cathedral on December 8th

Bernadette Burgess Bernadette Veitch