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CWL General Meeting

June 14th, 2022

Blessed Sacrament Parish, Amherstview, Ontario

The Catholic Women's League of Canada calls its members to grow in faith, and to witness to the love of God through ministry and service.

Attendance: by Zoom (5): Suzanne MacDonald, Liz Guiney, Carol Daigle, Kelly Neville, Margaret Barker

Attendance in Church: (9) Donna Guiney, Danna Dobson, Margaret Wilson, Gail Raymond, Deb McKee, Theresa Shanks, Bernadette Veitch, Andrea Glover, Mary Lou Hills

A Quorum WAS achieved at this meeting. Meeting was held in the Church and on Zoom

Executive Reports

1. Welcome and call meeting to order (Kelly Neville)

Kelly called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

2. Opening Prayer: Prayer to the Sacred Heart

Led by Liz Guiney

3. Approval of Agenda (Kelly Neville)

MOVED by Kelly Neville to approve the agenda of the general meeting of June 14th, 2022 as presented with the addition, under New Business -Rosary for the Family: **Seconded** by Donna Guiney

CARRIED

4. Approval of Minutes (Kelly Neville)

MOVED by Mary Lou Hills to approve the minutes of the general meeting May 10th, 2022, as presented, with the provision that clerical and spelling errors be corrected. **Seconded** by Gail Raymond. **CARRIED.**

5. Treasurer's Report: (Danna Dobson)

Bank balance: \$3,025.54. Included in the balance is an anonymous donation of 1200.

6. Membership Report: (Margaret Barker)

We currently have 55 members.

7. Past President's Report: (Donna Guiney)

- Donna is looking forward to a renewal of the Council Spiritually and Socially.
- She expressed her gratitude to Danna Dobson as our IT expert so that we could carry on the business of the past months through Zoom and teleconferencing.
- She also reported on the results of the Town Hall meeting – which can be found in the bulletin but included the return of Congregational singing. Parishioners can decide whether to wear masks or not.
- Shirley McDonald continues to update CWL news on the parish website and has now added the link to the **Shalom TV network**.

8. President's Report: (Kelly Neville)

Will report on her conversation with Father Shea.

Standing Committee Reports:

9. Spiritual Development: (Liz Guiney)

Liz presented a history of the devotion to the Sacred Heart.

10. Communications: (Margaret Wilson)

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11. Education: (Deb McKee)

Deb reported that she would be presenting our annual CWL Religious award to two students this year on Thursday, June 23rd.

12. Health (Shirley McDonald)

Shirley would like to hold CPR certification – we have not been able to recertify parishioners due to COVID restrictions. Mary Lou Hills will inform Shirley.

13. Old Business:

o Fundscrip/Fundraising: (Danna Dobson)

Danna renewed her request to the members to hold Fundscrip campaigns more than once a year. She has learned that she can offer the gift cards for sale more frequently than just once a year. Members decided to hold it quarterly. Danna will consult with Father Shea as to the most appropriate time to start this.

o No Bake, Bake Sale and other Fundraising Events: (Kelly Neville)

- ◆ At the Executive meeting of June 8th, 2022 Kelly was asked to present to Father proposals for fundraising, in particular the No Bake, Bake Sale or to hold a bake sale at the time of the Knights of Columbus' s yard sale, July 23rd (Donna Guiney)
- ◆ Donna Guiney stated it might be held at the school). Kelly was also to ask Shirley McDonald about the possibility of holding the on -line Silent Auction as a returning part of the Snowflake Bazaar. Father has said no to the bake sale – to leave it to the Knights. Kelly -and or Donna? Was to contact the Knights of Columbus and offer to cook hot dogs etc. as a contribution to the yard sale – but we would not receive any remuneration for it.... We would donate ingredients – as a gesture of good will and return to “normalcy”.
- ◆ Kelly reported that Shirley prefers the on line Silent Auction. It has provided us with a good return with less effort on members.
- ◆ Re Snowflake bazaar Kelly was to ask Father if we could proceed with it this year. We need to contact members responsible for pies, tea room, bake sale and Christmas table to see if members would support a return to the bazaar. Proposed date of the bazaar – Nov.19th, 2022.

• Diocesan 100th Anniversary Prayer Books (Mary Lou Hills)

Because Mary Lou could not deliver the remainder of the Diocesan Anniversary prayer books in a timely fashion Sue Aubin kindly stepped forward to do so. Mary Lou suggested that a \$25 gift card be presented to Sue as a token of gratitude.

14. New Business: (Mary Lou Hills)

- **Helen Henderson Birthday Party:** since we do not have a chair for Community Life the Executive asked for an interested member to contact the volunteer coordinator at Helen Henderson to see if we could provide cupcakes/ or the cost of a birthday cake. We have traditionally served the cupcakes and/ or cake for residents who celebrate their birthday in August. Probably because of COVID we would donate the cost or a cake this year instead. Gail Raymond stated she would follow up on this.
- **Parish Social Committee meeting: (Donna Guiney)** On the evening of August 3rd the Parish Social Committee will be meeting to set events for the remainder of 2022 and for 2023. Donna recommended that the president – or a representative – be present at the meeting to present our request – in particular the Snowflake bazaar and fundscrip – return to potluck suppers in December 2022 and June 2023.
- **Rosary for the Family: (Mary Lou Hills)** This is a papal initiative – via the Pope's World - Wide Prayer Network – that we join in the Webinar to be held on Sunday, June 19th to pray the Rosary with other

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families. It was also recommended that parishioners purchase the book “Rosary for the Family” as it is perfect for children, parents, grandchildren.

- **Ontario Provincial CWL Convention: (Mary Lou Hills)** Last day for registering for the Provincial Convention being held in Ottawa is June 27th. Information and forms can be found on their website. Convention is July 10-13th and is to be held in Ottawa.

Closing Prayer and Adjournment

Liz Guiney led us in a Prayer to God the Father

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00

- **Dates to note:**
 - o **Rosary for the Family: Webinar: 3:00 pm EDT June 19, 2022**
 - o **World Meeting of Families – June 22-26, 2022**
 - o **Ontario Council of The Catholic Women’s League of Canada -Convention, July 10-13, 2022, Ottawa,ON**
 - o **Knights of Columbus Yard Sale: July 23rd, 2022**
 - o **National Convention of The Catholic Women’s League of Canada – August 14-17, 2022 Kelowna, B.C**
 - o **Blessed Sacrament Parish Social Committee Meeting: Church Hall, August 3rd,**
 - o **Grandparents Day- Sunday, September 11, 2022**
 - o **Life Chain- Sunday, October 2, 2022**
 - o **Diocesan 101st Annual Meeting and Convention – May 6-7, 2023**

Meetings 2022: September 13, October 11, November 8, December 13