



MINUTES

CWL General Meeting

April 21, 2024

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.

In Attendance: Donna Guiney, Maryn Lou Hills, Shirley McDonald, Maureen Birdsell, Andrea Glover, Susan Aubin, Gail Northcott, Betty Hutcheson, Gisele VanPutten, Theresa Shanks, Sirley Jaynes, Margaret Wilson, Liz Ford, Danna Dobson

A Quorum WAS achieved at this meeting.

Welcome and call meeting to order (Donna Guiney)

Donna called the meeting to order at 1pm

Opening Prayer: Members prayed the prayer to Our Lady of Good Counsel

1. Approval of Agenda (Donna Guiney))

MOVED by Danna Dobson and seconded by Margaret Wilson that the agenda for the general meeting of April 21, 2024, be approved with the addition of Bake Sale.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Shirley McDonald and seconded by Andrea Glover that the minutes of the March 12th, 2024 general meeting be approved with the following change concerning the date of the Silent Auction. The Auction was not part of the Snowflake bazaar but was held in September.

CARRIED

3. Treasurer's Report: (Danna Dobson)

- Balance in the account on March 31st 2024 was \$6,990.00. the amount of \$1,482.51 is the amount of monies not available due to outstanding cheques - Parish Assistance, Birthday Masses and Convention expenses.
- Danna's presented a synopsis of costs to the council since the raising, by National office of their per capita fee to \$25.00. The deficit which results in not raising dues was offset by a generous donation from the parish and using Fundscrip campaign profits. Moved by Danna Dobson that the Blessed Sacrament Council of The Catholic Women's League of Canada be raised from the current fee of \$25.00 to \$30.00. The motion was seconded by: Margaret Wilson.

CARRIED

- The Fundscrip campaign will run from April 21st to May 19th for distribution of the cards by June 6th.

4. Committee Reports:

A. Faith: (Liz Ford)

- Liz made arrangements with the restaurant Bella Bistro for lunch on June 8th to commemorate the Feast Day of Our Lady of Good Counsel. However, she has asked that members be emailed and asked to respond by June 2nd if they are interested in attending the luncheon. Liz was also looking for suggestions for other restaurants that would be central.
- Liz asked if anyone was available to commit to 5pm on the 12th to pray for Palliative Care. Danna Dobson has agreed to do so. If a list of is provided the Secretary will email each member to remind them of their commitment on that day.

B. Service (Danna Dobson)

- The committee is looking for suggestions from members as to what charities they would wish part of the \$700, that has been allocated and approved by members, to specific charities.

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- Special Pot Luck Supper: May 25th. Moved by Theresa Shanks and Seconded by Margaret Wilson that we give Father Americo \$100 in US funds as a parting gift.

CARRIED

- Members had previously agreed to assist the Knights of Columbus with the cost of procuring pork tenderloin through Costco. It was felt that the cost to us would be approximately \$100.
- Bake Sale: Because of the timing of the Special Pot Luck a Spring bake Sale will be deferred to the fall to be held at the Fall Knights of Columbus garage sale (if there is one) and to the Snowflake Bazaar.
- Further discussion took place on the possibility of changing the date/ time of CWL general meetings. A suggestion was made to the secretary to create a survey that would be sent to members with email addresses. At present the meeting could start at 6:00 pm since we do not begin the meetings with Mass.

- C. Social Justice: Liz Guiney for Gail Raymond

The Birthright Baby shower followed the meeting.

Adjournment and Closing Prayer: Liz Ford led a us in a prayer to the Good Shepherd. (Next Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday)

Dates of Next Meetings: May 14th, June 11th. Meetings to resume on Tuesday, September 10th, 2024.