

LWML Board Meeting Minutes

October 3, 2019 Conference Room

Members Present: Illa Biteler, Mary Dunlap, Kay Nelson, Marie Kruger, Tammie Schultz, Cathy VandeBraak, Shirley Wright and Jeannette Jensen

Members not present: Jody Huebert

Opening Devotion – Illa opened with a Mustard Seed Devotion titled “In the Word..Of the Word.”

Secretary’s Report was reviewed. Motion made by Kay and seconded by Cathy to correct September minutes to read as follows for the Treasurer’s report: “use the Lois Hammond Memorial Fund toward the 2020 District convention for the expenses for two delegates and one young representative.” Motion approved.

Treasurer’s Report was reviewed.

Old Business

The Joint Meeting Luncheon was held on September 14th. Cassie Hubert presented information on her upcoming mission trip. A total of \$354 was raised and donated to Cassie for her mission trip. If anyone is still interested in donating, they can do so through the following link: <https://childrenofthepromise.org/>

Craft, Bake and Book Sale request for donations. A Minute for Ministry can be done at a later date. Discussion about when to start collecting donated items and where to store at church as the Streets of Bethlehem is held the Sunday before this event. Discussed advertising – Cathy is working on information to give to Maxine to create the poster.

New Business

Proposed budget for 2020 was to be taken to individual circles in September for review/discussion. This was reviewed at all 3 Circle meetings. The final vote on the budget will take place in December.

Reminder about LWML Sunday on October 6th. Cathy emailed reminders to those who had signed up.

Ila asked if there was any feedback from discussion with the individual circles about non-profit organizations that they would like to support with our year end gifts. Rebekah circle discussed and already decided that they wanted to support 5 groups this year: Mission Central, Family Visitation Center, Furniture Mission, Sioux Falls Lutheran High School, The Branch. The other circles had not made any decisions yet and did not have any additions to make to the list provided. Jeannette made a motion that we give each circle \$1000.00 to divide amongst their choices of organizations that they wanted to support. Kay seconded the motion. Discussion and all approved, motion passed. It was noted that each circle President will need to give their list with addresses and amounts for each group to Shirley by December 1st so she can mail out the checks.

Discussion about the proposed changes to the bylaws. These were taken to the circles in September with no discussion or concerns expressed, agreed with the Board’s recommendations and proposal as written in the September 5th minutes. Motion made by Kay to approve the changes as previously written and presented in the September 5th minutes. Second by Tammie. No further discussion. All approved and motion passed. The updated Bylaws will be available at the Joint Meeting in January.

A banner made by Tammie Schultz and located above the LWML table in the atrium was made from one of the old tablecloths. Thank you Tammie for sharing your talents.

Other Business

Vice President Report – Cathy – List of candidates from the nominating committee: President = Cathy VandeBraak. Vice President = Jody Huebert. Past President = Ila Biteler. Secretary (this is to complete the last year of the two year term for Jeannette) – Cathy talked with both Kristi Hofer and Betty Schultz and they are willing to share the duties for next year. Discussion that since they would be stepping in to complete a term for an officer stepping down, they would not need to go through the ‘election’ process, but that Ila could appoint them in her role as Board President. We received a thank you card from Cassie Huebert.

Mission Coordinator Report – Jody – email update presented by Ila regarding the Ingathering for the Veterans. Watch for advertising/information on when and where to bring your items. Love Kitchen will coordinate the pot-luck and line up speakers for event on November 11th.

Resource Coordinator Report – Tammie – no report.

Research Coordinator Report – position vacant.

Archivist/Historian Report – Marie – Please continue to print any pictures and get them to Marie.

Library Committee – Illa – no above.

Eve Circle Report – Jody and Cathy – no report.

Rebekah Circle Report – Kay – no report.

Mary Circle Report – Mary – no report.

Upcoming Events

October 5th Fall Christian Life Workshop at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church in Watertown, SD. Registration begins at 9:30AM. Speaker is Rev. Gregory Seltz from the Lutheran Center for Religious Library

October 6th Fall LWML Zone Rally at Trinity Lutheran in Hartford, SD. Registration starts at 2pm. Mary Jarratt Smith is the speaker. Ingathering of dish towels for the Banquet.

October 6th LWML Sunday.

October 6th Eve Circle is hosting a nacho bar and crafting event.

Call to Freedom October 16th at Convention Center at 7am.

Vote on 2020 budget at November meetings.

Potluck Luncheon in honor of Veterans on Monday November 11th starting at 11:30am.

December 11th Advent Meal with Craft, Book and Bake Sale. Will be serving Chili, hot dogs and Ice Cream. Ila will distribute a sign-up sheet to the circle chairs.

December circle meetings will have all members vote for President and Vice President positions and the 2020 budget.

June 2021 National Convention in Lexington, Kentucky.

Adjourned with The Lord’s Prayer

Respectfully submitted,
Jeannette Jensen, Board Secretary

LWML Eve Circle Meeting

September 15, 2019 – 9:15 Main Street Living Studio

Members in attendance: Cathy VandeBraak, Jody Huebert, Tammie Shultz, Pam Kludt, Emily Lafrentz, Renee Lehr, Nancy Bott, Lanelle Smith, Kristi Hofer and Sara Francis.

Members not in attendance: Nancy Kraayenhof, Deb Hinde, Clare Helling, Cassie Huebert, Jeannette Jensen, Fatima Johnson, Joan Sebesta, Kim Fitterer, Lori Coufal, Judy Eisenbraun, Judy Bittner, Mary Ann Zinnel Jolene Hanson, LeAnn Werner, Karen Voegeli and Jolene Dyce

Opening Devotion – Hope Though Prayer lead by Jody.

Offerings: Home (used for general fund for our society giving/use in funding our projects), Mite (75% used for state and 25% used for national mission grant funding).

Old Business

Joint LWML Meeting was held on Saturday, September 14th.

Call to Freedom CommUNITY Breakfast 2019 which will be held on Wednesday, October 16 from 7:00am to 8:30am at the Sioux Falls Convention Center. If you are interested in attending, please make your own arrangements by calling 605-261-1880 or emailing operations@calltofreedom.org. You may also register online at <https://calltofreedom.regfox.com/2019-call-to-freedom-community-breakfast>.

New Business

Please sign the cards that will be sent to the college students. They will be mailed on Monday, September 16th.

Proposed 2020 LWML Budget will be presented to the circle meetings in September for discussion. The final vote on the budget will take place in December. *The proposed budget is attached to the September Board Minutes for you to review. All were in favor of the proposed budget.

Review non-profit organizations to support with our year end gifts. *Attached to the September Board Minutes is a list of mostly small local non-profits that are not funded by a large umbrella company. Feel free to check out all the sites and suggest any additions.

Beginning in October we will have the monthly board and circle meeting minutes available in the Atrium. Please take a hard copy if you are not receiving an electronic version and review the minutes prior to your circle meeting. Please try to remember to bring the copy you take with you to review to your monthly meeting. We would prefer to not have to increase the number of copies we are already printing.

LWML Sunday is October 6th. We are looking for volunteers to help with the early and late service, serve treats during Bible Class time and provide treats. We will pass around a sign-up sheet for various needs. Please help if you are able.

Crafting Day with Pam Ricke is on Sunday, October 6th. There will be a nacho bar provided for lunch beginning at noon and we will begin the Home/Believe craft project around 12:30. This project is open to everyone but signing up and paying is required by September 25th. The cost is \$20 per person. No refunds will be given. We will be painting. Please dress accordingly.

Soupless Soup Supper envelopes and poem will be distributed at the September circle meetings. They may be returned at the October meeting. Thank you for prayerfully consider helping our home general fund through your donation.

Proposed changes to the bylaws are available in the September Board Minutes. They will be presented to the circles in October and voted on in November. All were in favor of the changes.

Please stay in touch with your secret sister.

Cathy presented information about the care packages for grieving families from Thrivent and the grant that is available to those who have experienced a miscarriage or still birth. It is an amazing benefit that is not very well known.

Any updates or prayer requests to share?

Emily spoke of the heavy duty flour sack towels that are being collected for the Zone project on October 6th. They will be putting the LWML logo on the towels and presenting them to the banquet.

Cathy will send out an email about preparing some meals for our Eve Circles in need. It is a great way to take care of our Sister's in Christ.

Adjourn with The Lord's Prayer.

Upcoming Events

- Fall Rally at Trinity Lutheran in Hartford, SD. Election will be held for the Zone treasurer and secretary.
- October 6th LWML Sunday. Need ushers, greeters, readers, etc. We will also provide treats for Bible Class.
- October all circle chairs meet to discuss nominations for President and Vice President beginning January 2020 to serve a two year team. The nominations will be presented to the Board at the October Board meeting.
- December 11th Advent Meal with Craft, Book and Bake Sale.
- December circle meetings will have all members vote for President and Vice President positions.
- June 2021 National Convention in Lexington, Kentucky.
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Upcoming Events for Eve Circle ***please note these dates in your calendar.

September

15th Regular Eve meeting in the MLS Studio at 9:15

October

6th LWML Sunday. Need volunteers for the service and treats for Bible Class time.
6th After 2nd service Nacho Bar and crafting event with Pam Ricke.
20th Regular Eve meeting in the MLS Studio at 9:15

November

10th Regular Eve meeting in the MLS Studio at 9:15 (Note the change of date to avoid the annual voter's meeting.
10th After 2nd service Potluck and cookie/candy cooking event in the Atrium.

December

7th Service Activity at the Empire Mall in the gift wrapping booth for the Children's Inn
11th Advent Meal and Craft, Book and Bake Sale. Some people are crafting already. Are you? We would appreciate any crafts you are willing to donate. Think Christmas!
15th Craft, Book and Bake Sale Concludes
15th Regular Eve meeting in the MLS Studio at 9:15

SEPTEMBER REBEKAH CIRCLE REPORT

DATE: 09/17/2019

MEETING PLACE: CONFERENCE ROOM

NUMBER OF MEMBERS: 13

(CAROL HARMS, COLETTA VENSKE, ALVERNA ANDERSEN, AVIS PRIEST, KAY NELSON, ILLA BITELER, SHIRLEY WRIGHT, NORMA ROBINSON, LOIS JONES, LU OTTEN, STACY TISHER, BARB LANGPAP, CAROL EKSE)

HOSTESSES: LU Otten and KAY NELSON

TOPIC LEADER: KAY NELSON

OFFERING: \$50.00

MITES: \$43.00

DAYS FOR GIRLS: \$31.00

BUSINESS

Kay opened the meeting with prayer and led Bible Class.

List of non-profit organizations was discussed. We added Lutheran High School of Sioux Falls. The group selected 5 namely

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Furniture Mission
Family Visitation Center
The Branch Mission
Mission Central and
Lutheran High School of Sioux Falls

Carol Ekse explained her volunteer help at Family Visitation Center.

Had discussion on By-Laws and changes proposed? All present received copy of By-Laws. A few items on budget proposal were discussed.

Envelopes for contribution for soup-less supper were given to all present.

The group voted to eliminate any kind of dessert to serve at our meeting. Members should bring their own drink.

Members were reminded of Craft, Bake, and Book Sale on December 11 and Sunday December 15. Be working on your crafts.

Members signed up for various duties for LWML Sunday on October 6

Dates to remember:

October 6 - LWML Sunday

October 6 - Fall Zone Rally at Trinity Lutheran, Hartford

October: All circle Chairs meet to discuss nominations for Pres and Vice Pres

December 11: Advent Meal and Craft, Book and Bake Sale

Closed with Lord's Prayer

Respectfully Submitted,
CAROL HARMS

Mary Circle

September 14, 2019
Members Present: 9
Atrium – LWML Joint Meeting
Home Offering: \$24.00
Mites: \$50.46

Those attending the LWML September 14 Joint Meeting from Mary Circle were Judy Eisenbraun, Dorothy Chronister, Marsha Kritzmire, Dianne Corkill, Sandy Krause, Mary Dunlap, Julie Rames, Lenny Hendry, and Jerilyn Harris. Not present were Judy Cain, Val Strandell, and Donna Crichton.

Mary Circle was at the registration table and was in charge of clean up.

We collected our Home Offering and Mites. We also contributed to a free-will offering for Cassie Huebert for her trip to Haiti.

The Souplless Soup Supper envelopes, Board Meeting Minutes, and Lutheran Women's Quarterlies were distributed. The envelope for the Souplless Super is to be returned at the October Circle meeting.

We confirmed and/or updated our addresses, phone numbers, etc. on the sheet provided at the registration table.

For October 6 LWML Sunday, there was a sign-up sheet for ushers, greeters and readers. Also, for serving, clean up, and for providing muffins or coffee cake for Bible Class.

We are thinking of you Donna. We have you in our prayers.

Respectfully submitted,
Jerilyn Harris