

LWML Board Meeting Minutes

March 4th, 2021 –6 PM via Zoom

Members present: Jody Huebert President, Mary Dunlap Vice President, Mary Ann Zinnel Treasurer, Kristi Hofer Secretary, Cathy VandeBraak Past President, Maxine Kirlin Hostess Coordinator, Emily Lafrentz Mission Coordinator, Donna Crichton, Kay Nelson. Not in attendance: Jolene Hanson Archivist/historian, Sara Francis Resource Coordinator

Opening Devotion – Jody - Proclaimed Praise

Secretary's Report – Kristi Hofer

Treasurer's Report – Mary Ann Zinnel

Old Business

Audit Finished and Retuned by Jody Bymers -- We had a good report, she said everything is in order and easy to understand.

Mary Ann reported Jody has been paid.

Minute for Ministry – March 7th Jody will do the first – Will promote LWML and our Servant project of the blessing bags.

More volunteers are needed.

Prayer Sister Ministry – Postcards are ready and available in the LWML box across from the office. List of members are in the basket on the bookshelf by the LWML table for the ladies.

Virtual LWML SD Bible Study was on Sat Feb 6th – around 36 participants. You are able to view on the SD LWML website under events. Sounds like another will be planned for in the future.

New Business

Reminder to be respectful of other people's time and be on time to the zoom meeting. If you are not able to attend please respond to the board president.

The National Mission Goal for 2019-2021 has been met. \$2.1 Million

Blessing Bags – Decision made to give the bags to the Call to Freedom. Collection will be from March 7th – March 28th.

Emily has made and set up a tri-fold display at church with the details. We will be collecting the following items for the bags: bottles of water, granola bars, fruit snacks, Kleenex packs, shampoo, toothbrush, toothpaste, wash cloth, socks, deodorant, feminine hygiene products, and cash donations.

Prayer Service – will be Livestreamed on March 21st at Zion at 2pm

Revisions are required with the new terminology to Bylaws and Standing Rules.

The word Society and Societies need to be removed and replaced with group and groups.

What Documents besides the By-Laws do we have to be concerned with updating?

Documents are being reviewed.

Feb 6th Zone Meeting updates:

2021 LWML SD District Christian Life Retreat – Gods Quilt of Comfort – Wrapping up in the Psalms. Will be a Faith Lutheran in Pierre SD September 17th & 18th 2021

The SD Board of Directors decided to postpone the April 2021 LWML SD District Spring Retreat until September. They also decided to combine the District Retreat and the usual fall Christian Life Workshops. There will be only one Christian Life Workshop for 2021. The event is centrally located in hopes that more will be able to attend.

The Banner has been designed by Kimberly Lesman

Update on Convention – still planning to happen – continue to look for updates. There is a SD bus going let me know if you are interested – will get you details.

50 Years - SD Puppet Place – T-shirt has been designed.

National Grants need to be in by March 15th.

Reports

Past President – Cathy VandeBraak

President – Jody Huebert

Vice President – Mary Dunlap

Treasurer – Mary Ann Zinnel

Secretaries – Kristi Hofer

Chair of Mary Circle – Donna Crichton and Mary Dunlap-meeting in person in March.

St Francis House Collection going on.

Chair of Rebekah Circle – Kay Nelson-meeting in person in March

Chairs of Eve Circle – Jody Huebert and Cathy VandeBraak – Feb – cards sent to College Students, Feb 21st made 7 tie blankets at our meeting. March meeting will be in person in the atrium.

Resource Coordinator – Sara Francis

Archivist/Historian – Jolene Hanson – 2020 Archivist Book has been completed. Will be placed on the LWML table in the Atrium for all to view

Library Committee – Illa Biteler :

Hostess Coordinator – Max Kirlin-Angels have been made for Streets of Bethlehem with the help of Mary Ann

Mission Coordinator – Emily Lafrentz – Coordination of the Bless Bag project

Adjourn with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristi Hofer
Secretary

UPCOMING EVENTS 2021

March

21st Sioux Falls Zone Prayer Service

April

Board Meeting

June

24th –27th 2021 National Convention in Lexington, Kentucky. Theme: Running the Race ... Looking to Jesus

Sept

17th – 18th District Retreat in Pierre SD Theme: God's Quilt of Comfort

2022 – LWML SD District Convention, Yankton Zone

LWML Eve Circle Meeting Minutes

February 21, 2021 – 11:45 AM in the Atrium

Members Present: Jolene Hanson, LeAnn Werner, Pam Kludt, Emily Lafrentz, Jody Huebert, Sara Francis, Cathy VandeBraak and Lori Brunick.

Opening Devotion – Begin with God – He Gives Peace

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

Lutheran Woman's Quarterly magazine subscription can still be ordered if you are interested. Follow the link here <https://lutheranwomensmissionaryleague.formstack.com/forms/lwqsubscription>.

LWML Minute for Ministry on the first Sunday of each month. We are still looking for volunteers. This will start in March. Jody will give the first Minute for Ministry to provide information on what LWML is and kick off the ingathering of items for the blessing bags.

Cards were sent to the college students. Another package will be delivered to students in April, like the package that was delivered at Christmas time. Cards and packages are only sent to the students that update their address each year with Maxine in the office.

New Business

The LWML 2019-2021 Mission Goal of \$2.1 was met!!! The new goals will be voted on at the National Convention.

Prayer Sister Program. We encourage you to participate in our new program. Please use the new directory and the postcards to reach out to your sisters in Christ. Additional postcards are available in the LWML box located across from the office.

Our account balance was at a place where the board felt we were able to distribute some funds. We have distributed \$1000 to the SD District Office for President Sailer to use at his discretion for Pastors in need of assistance, \$200 to the Sioux Falls Zone LWML (\$100 for dues and \$100 toward convention expenses), \$1000 to the National Mites and \$300 to SD District Mites.

Blessing Bags. We will collect items March 7-28. On March 28th, we will assemble the bags. Be thinking of an organization to donate to. Items needed (travel size): shampoo, soap, washcloth, toothpaste, toothbrush, bottle of water, granola bars, Kleenex. Monetary donations are also welcomed.

There are baskets on the bookshelf next to the LWML table for you to bring toiletries, used stamps and eyeglasses.

LWML National Convention. There is a bus available for transportation. If you are interested, please sign up as soon as possible.

Sioux Falls Zone Prayer Service at Zion on Sunday, March 21st at 2:00. We need volunteers to help with the service.

Adjourn with The Lord's Prayer.

Following the meeting we assembled 7 tie blankets. We have another 7 kits to assemble at a later date.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sara Francis

UPCOMING EVENTS

March

21st Eve Circle Meeting – we will meet at 1:00, prior to the Prayer Service

21st Sioux Falls Zone Prayer Service will be livestreamed at 2:00 and available on YouTube

TBD Assemble Blessing Bags

June

24th – 27th 2021 National Convention in Lexington, Kentucky. Theme: Running the Race ... Looking to Jesus

September

17th – 18th District Retreat in Pierre, SD. Theme: God's Quilt of Comfort

Mary Circle

February 16, 2021
Number Attending: 7
Met in the Sanctuary
Home Offering: \$51.00
Mites: \$54.17

Attending were Mary Dunlap, Lenny Hendry, Dianne Corkill, Marsha Kritzmire, Dorothy Chronister, Donna Crichton, and Jerilyn Harris.

Old Business:

Mary gave an update on Josh Schlueter and Eric Sebesta. Josh is at Ft. Carson, Colorado and Eric will be going to London Air Force Base. When Mary gets an address for Eric, she will get it to us. We discussed putting together items for a care package or collect money for Eric to send with his parents when they go to visit him.

Jody Huebert will do the first LWML Minute for Ministry March 6, explaining LWML and inviting new ladies to join.

Secret Sister will be replaced by Prayer Sister Ministry. Postcards will be given to LWML members to mail to whomever they choose to inspire and invite to join LWML. The postcards will say "I Prayed for you today."

New Business:

Mary Circle meets at 4:45 PM. Discussed possibly meeting at 5:30 which might be a more suitable time for new members. We are to think about this time change.

The Well Pledge for Gaat Kids African Ministry was \$900.00. At the LWML Board meeting a motion was made, seconded and passed to discontinue the Well Pledge and put toward the National Mites. Added to the \$900.00 was \$100.00, which totals \$1000.00 to go toward National Mites. Also, a motion was made, seconded and passed to pay out:

- \$1000.00 – District Pastoral Aid
- \$100.00 – LWML Zone Dues
- \$100.00 – LWML Zone – Convention Expenses
- \$1000.00 – National Mites
- \$300.00 – State Mites

The District Pastoral Aid will be left to Pastor Sailer's discretion to help a young pastor in need.

The 2019-20 National Mite goal was met; 2.1 million dollars. Anything more received, will be sent 2020-21.

Box Tops will no longer be collected. Stamps, cards, eye glasses and toiletries will still be collected. They can be placed in the bookshelf in the Atrium.

A reminder to bring items for the St. Francis House to our March meeting.

Opening with prayer, Mary led the Bible Study, "More Than Conquerors" from the Winter Lutheran Woman's Quarterly.

The meeting was closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Jerilyn Harris

