

LWML Board Meeting Minutes
November 4th, 2021 –6:15 pm Conference Room

Members present: Jody Huebert, President; Mary Dunlap, Vice President; Kristi Hofer, Secretary; Jolene Hanson, Archivist/Historian; MaryAnn Zinnel, Treasurer; Stacy Tisher; Maxine Kirlin, Hostess Coordinator; Cathy VandeBraak, Past President; Emily Larentz, Mission Coordinator; Donna Crichton; Sara Francis, Resource Coordinator

Opening Devotion – In Times of Need – If only?-Jody Huebert

Secretary's Report – Kristi Hofer

Treasurer's Report – Mary Ann Zinnel

Update on discussion with the Sharing and Caring fund with Pastor-There is still a need for this fund. Motion was made by Cathy to fulfill the budget request of \$300 cash to be used at Pastor Greg's discretion. Mary seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Book Sale -\$653.50 (after the \$100 went back into the account for the book sale change drawer)

Old Business

Prayer Cards – Remind your ladies the cards are still available across from the church office. Chairs will bring a bag of cards to the meetings

Book Sale –

Books were boxed up on the Oct 17th

Was decided to keep several boxes of book – these are being stored in Illa's garage. Illa delivered a car load of books to the Reach Literacy program. Thank you, Illa. They did take the books but was informed that they do not take books from church book sales. So will need to find a new home for the extras next year. Discussion was had on expanding next year for full day and invite other churches, along with possibly having a book sale in the Spring and Fall.

New Business

Updates - Advent Meal-Baked Potato Bar sign-up list – is posted in the kitchen. Need people to shop – prepare – serve and clean-up.

Please review sign-up sheet to see what is still needed. Mary Dunlap will request a Thrivent grant.

Zion Board Positions – Continued Discussion

It is also that time of year for us to start considering searching for members of our Zion group to fill next year's position for Secretary: 2-year commitment and Vice President: 3-year commitment-Vice President to President to past President.

The nominating committee will need to meet to discuss candidates. (Circle Chairs make up this committee) If you have any thoughts on great candidates, please share with any of the committee and we will reach out to them.

Vice President: no candidate at this time

Secretary: Sara Francis

Discussion was held on options if we do not get candidates to fill positions. Circle chairs will take back information to circles for discussion.

1. Not have a Vice President next year (2022) and try to elect a Vice President at a later date to fill the President seat in 2023.
2. Have the three LWML groups function independently and remove an LWML board
 - a. The by-laws will need to be updated
 - b. Each group will need to have a checkbook
 - c. Zone duties will need to be shared/rotated by each of the groups
 - d. Zone dues will be paid by each group

Timeline

Vote in November with installation in January.

Proposed Budget 2022—Updated Budget to Include the Hostess budget request that was approved. Days of Doing – Approved also through budget request to church. Removed Days of Doing from budget.

Donna Crichton requested to have the budget items on the treasures report for next month – Mary Ann will work on that.

Reminder --Year End Reports -- Time to start thinking about putting your reports together. Would like them to be sent to Kristi around the beginning of December to give her time to put them all together to be ready by year end.

Financial Discussion

Souless Pie – Hopefully your ladies will return envelopes in Nov – but will accept whenever turned in. Let me know if more envelopes are needed. These funds will go towards our 2022 budget

Balance we want to have in account at the beginning of the year? Funds will be divided between circles to be given choice of what mission(s) to support. Balance needs to be decided so we can let the circles now how much they can use toward their mission(s) of choice.

Discussion on what is an appropriate balance for the LWML account. A balance of \$2500 was agreed upon by LWML board members present to ensure funds are available for operating expenses in the coming year.

Stacy Tisher made a motion to give each circle \$800.00 to distribute to charities of their choice.

Cathy Vandebraak seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

Stacy Tisher – Transportation Mission request to the Zion Board -Update - Budget request. Request was denied by Zion Board of Directors.

December 11-Cookies/Coffee @1pm in Atrium (if available). Stacy Tisher will organize event.

2022

January joint meeting – How do we see this meeting? – what do we want to do? Ingathering?

Mary Dunlap will plan an ingathering

Reports

Past President – Cathy VandeBraak
President – Jody Huebert
Vice President – Mary Dunlap
Treasurer – Mary Ann Zinnel
Secretary– Kristi Hofer
Chair of Mary Circle – Donna Crichton and Mary Dunlap
Chairs of Eve Circle – Jody Huebert and Cathy VandeBraak
Resource Coordinator – Sara Francis
Archivist/Historian – Jolene Hanson
Library Committee – Illa Biteler
Hostess Coordinator – Max Kirlin
Mission Coordinator – Emily Lafrentz
Chair of Rebekah Circle-Stacy Tisher

Adjourned with Lord’s Prayer

Respectfully submitted,
Kristi Hofer
Secretary
Sara Francis

UPCOMING EVENTS

2021

Dec 2nd – Board Meeting

Dec 11th – Gathering Cookies/Coffee – if Atrium available

Dec 8th – Advent Meal

2022

Jan 6th - Board Meeting

Jan 9th Minute for Ministry – Mary

Jan 22nd – Joint Meeting – 9:30am

June 3–4, 2022 -- LWML SD District Convention, Yankton Zone. “Walk In Love”

2023

June 22-24, 2023 – LWML National Convention – Milwaukee Wisconsin

LWML Eve Circle Meeting Minutes

October 17, 2021 – 11:45 in the Atrium

Opening Devotion – Jody – The Race of Faith Focus Ahead

Attendees: Jody Huebert, Kay Nelson, Karen Voegeli, Nancy Bott, Emily Lafrentz, Mary Ann Zinnel, Jolene Hanson, Pam Kludt and Sara Francis

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

Old Business

September giving – Mites \$90.03 and Home \$64.00

Postcards will continue to be available for you to use to reach out to your LWML sisters. They are also great to use to invite someone to join our group.

LWML South Dakota District Christian Life Retreat September 17-18

Recap – 111 Registrants – 7 pastors and 1 deaconess. Members from Zion attending: Kay Nelson, Jody Huebert and Cathy VandeBraak.

Announced that 2 grants were recently paid:

#5 Community Outreach Mission at Trinity Lutheran, Belle Fourche, SD -- \$5,000 and

#7 Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty, LCMS RSO -- \$4,000

Mite Offering collected was \$1,265.19 Gifts from the Heart Offers - \$1,792.00 donations to Orphan Grain Train. 1,000 items of food and hygiene items to PAR (Pierre Area Referral) – they offer emergency services and food pantry. Servant projects – 16 blankets – 242 scarves going to orphan grain train. 138 church worker cards and 31 music appreciation ornaments.

Invited to Yankton for the district convention June 3rd and 4th 2022 – Walk In Love. If you are interested in going, please check about hotel reservations as soon as possible.

The Bible Study was live streamed on Facebook. You can still view on the Sioux Falls Zone page.

Joint Meeting September 25th

26 Ladies attended – light breakfast, meeting on upcoming events and Chrismon project. Offering was \$61.00 – Home and \$98.55 Mites

Our tree should look really great this Christmas. Around 60 ornaments were made.

A lot of time was put into making this event happen. Thank you all who had a hand in helping. Special thanks to Cathy for getting all our beads and organizing the food.

Over 50 packages of Diapers were collect from the Diaper Drive – Thanks to Illa, Stacy and Julie for delivering to the Children's Inn, Teddy Bear Den and Alpha Center.

SF Zone Rally – Oct 2nd

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church Hosted the Rally

Recap – Mite Offering \$352.73 – 44 Attendees – 2 Pastors – 9 LWML Groups represented.

Members from Zion who attended: Jody, Cathy, Kay, Sara, Mary, Emily, Lori, Sandy K, and Tammy.

476 note cards collected for the Ingathering – that were stamped and bundled. The cards are going to Bethany Nursing Home. There was another 200+ cards that were dropped off, Tina Lenz said the LWML groups can use them for their own congregations.

Announcement of new Zone Officers: Secretary – Janelle LaFrentz (Our Redeemer) and Treasurer – Sheri Jarret (Faith).

Zone Board meeting was held after – First in person meeting – Short gathering just to meet the board members.

LWML Sunday/Dollars for Donuts/Book Sale – Oct 3rd

Thanks Jolene for sharing her Thrivent grant for the donuts and supplies. And to all who helped serve on Sunday from the service to Bible study and the Book Sale. \$162.00 was raised from Donuts

Books sale - Thanks to the committee and helpers for the many hours spent getting this in order. Book sale continued until Sunday the 17th with a \$5 bag sale. Leftovers will be taken to the Reach literacy program. Early count is \$658 was raised. Mary Ann Zinnel will give a final total at next meeting.

New Business

Books – Box up before our meeting and Illa will take them to the Reach Literacy program.

Proposed Budget 2022—Review: the Hostess Program dollars will be added to the proposed budget. The board will meet on 10/17/21 to approve. The two other Circles will need to approve the proposed budget.

Jolene Hanson: Nominated a motion to approve the 2022 LWML Budget

Kay Nelson: Seconded the motion

All: Motion was approved

Souppless Pie – Donations – Fundraiser will be used for the 2022 budget. Turn in envelopes in November at the circle meeting or put in the offering basket at church.

Advent Meal: December 8th-Baked Potato Bar with toppings -- Fruit or Veggies (to be decided) and bars and cookies.

Please sign up if you able to and will be posted in the kitchen if you need to sign up later. Need people to shop – prepare – serve – waitress and cleanup.

Illia Biteler is looking for people to help with Lunch is Served on October 27th, 12:30 PM.

Zion LWML is looking for someone to fill the positions of secretary and vice-president. If you are interested, please reach out to Jody Huebert or Cathy VandeBraak

Christmas Party: December 10th – we will have a potluck and gift exchange (Eve members only) in the Atrium. Please bring a favorite dish to share (a list will be sent around as it gets closer). Your spouse and family are welcome to join the fun. We ask you to bring one gift for our gift exchange game. The gift should not

exceed \$20 and we ask that it is something useful (no white elephant gifts, please). We will have a brief meeting while we are gathered.

Eve Circle gathering: February 13th, 2022 - make fleece blankets, make a sugar scrub, make Pocket Prayer Quilt (for LWML Sunday and Children's message in October 2022)

Adjourn with The Lord's Prayer.

UPCOMING EVENTS

2021

October

17th Eve Circle Meeting

November

21st Eve Circle Meeting

December

8th Advent Meal – We will serve a baked potato bar.

10th at 630 pm - Christmas Party with meeting and potluck

12th Gifts for Sunday School children

2022

January

16th Eve Circle Meeting

February

13th Eve Circle Meeting – PLEASE NOTE THE DATE CHANGE. We will have our fun gathering after our meeting

June

3rd and 4th - LWML SD District Convention, Yankton Zone

LWML Rebekah Circle Agenda

October 19, 2021 Zion Conference Room

Open with reciting “The League Pledge” in unison.

Devotion: Lutheran Witness: The holy Christian church, the communion of saints

Oct OFFERING: Home \$65 Mites \$64.00 Rebekah's Heart 50

Members present: (12) Alverna A, Jan F, Carol H, Audrey H, Lois J, Max K, Sunhild M, Val O, Norma R, Stacy T, Coletta V, Shirley

Members not present: (4) Carol E, Marie K, Roselyn O, Lu O

Snack provided by Marie Kruger. Note from Marie shared with group. Thank YOU Marie!

Old Business

LWML SD district Christian Life Retreat in Pierre:

ZION Joint meeting: Chrismons discussion. Ladies who attended were impressed and thankful for the great organization of event.

Oct 2 LWML Zone Meeting at Our Redeemer.

Book sale wrapped up October 17, 2021 with the bag sale. Puzzles and games are good addition. Thank you.

New Business

Rebekah's Heart Donations for Oct and November will be used to purchase a Poinsettia or Christmas Cactus for the following shut-ins: Avis Priest, Velda Haberling, Dorothy Helling, Julie Prochniak, Dorothy Radloff, Ad Rothenberger, Susan Krank. Maxine, Stacy and anyone else will purchase plants after Nov meeting

Please continue to invite ladies to the Zion LWML Circles. We need a new Secretary and Vice President for 2022. No nomination names shared from Rebekah Circle.

Dec 8th is the LWML Advent meal. Baked Potato Bar. Need prep help, serve and clean up. Sign up Sheet passed around and will be found in Kitchen.

Financial Discussion: Utilize \$300 from Sharing and Caring Budget for Susan Krank. Pastor will share the news and Stacy will send her a card

Soupless Pie Fundraiser: envelopes can be brought to Nov meeting or placed in offering plate at church
Review Proposed Budget and vote on budget. Discussion and vote on balance to start the year proposed and discussed to start with \$2500 (not including monies to be utilized from LWML hostess program.
Rebekah discussion for Board isWhat is the Days of Doing is this program continuing.

Funds will be divided between circles to use on Circle's choice of mission.

January In-Gathering meeting donations for Border Patrol proposed by Mary Dunlap

Next meeting Nov 16, 2021 at 1:30 in Zion Conference Room. Devotion: Lutheran Witness Nov Bible Study
Close with The Lord's Prayer

Respectfully Submitted, Stacy Tisher Rebekah Circle Chairperson, Sec/Treasurer

Mary Circle

October 19, 2021

Number Attending: 12 members

Met in the Atrium

Home Offering: \$44.00

Mites: \$65.31

Attending were: Dianne Corkill, Dorothy Chronister, Donna Crichton, Judy Eisenbraun, Lenny Hendry, Betty Schultz, Tammie Schultz, Illa Biteler, Val Strandell, Sandy Krause, Marsha Kritzmire and Jerilyn Harris. Illa opened with prayer.

Old Business:

Illa reported that she has enough workers to help with Lunch Is Served on November 27 at 12:30.

An amendment was made to the September minutes adding the donation of \$1,000.00 from Laurel Roth. Sent to National Mites will be 10 % of the Laurel Roth money.

Funds of \$162.00 from the donuts of LWML Sunday will be sent to district mites.

Prayer cards were available for anyone to take and send.

A thank you to Emily LaFrentz for providing the Minute for Ministry. Future Minute for Ministry will be planned on the Minute Books.

Members from Zion attending the LWML SD District Christian Life Retreat were Kay Nelson, Judy Huebert and Cathy VandeBraak.

Attending the Joint Meeting, September 25, were 26 ladies. Around 60 Chrismon ornaments were made.

Over 50 packages of diapers were collected and delivered to the Children's Inn, Teddy Bear Den, and Alpha Center.

There were 44 attendees, two pastors, and nine LWML Groups represented at the Sioux Falls Zone Rally, October 2. Ingathering were 476 note cards that will be given to Bethany. Janelle LaFrentz, Secretary and Sheri Jarret, Treasurer were elected as new zone officers.

A thank you to all who helped with the LWML Sunday/Dollars for Donuts/Book Sale and to Jolene Hanson for getting the Thrivent grant for donuts and supplies.

There were 15 boxes of books that did not sell at the Book Sale. Given to Reach Literacy were 15 boxes. Next year, books that do not sell will be marked so that they are not on the following year's Book Sale. Unsold books will be given to the Gospel Mission.

New Business:

There was a sign-up sheet for the Advent meal, December 8. The sign-up list will be posted in the kitchen.

Zion Board positions needed for 2022 are Secretary – 2-year commitment, Vice President – 3-year commitment – Vice President to President to past President. The nominating committee will discuss candidates in November and will be voted on in December.

Also needed are a President and Secretary-Treasurer for Mary Circle.

The 2022 Proposed Budget was discussed with a suggestion to increase LWML Zion dues to \$150.00, due to the fact that many zones are not active at this time. A motion was made, seconded, and carried to increase LWML Zone dues to \$150.00.

The year end balance was also discussed with no conclusion at this time.

Discussed the Transportation Mission request. It was suggested to bring it to the Board of Directors. Tabled until the November meeting.

LWML Soups/Pie Donation envelopes were handed out.

Donna led the Bible Study, "Mission: Compassion", from the Fall Quarterly. We closed with the Closing Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Jerilyn Harris