

Ruth LWML Guild Meeting Minutes

January 21, 2023

Members Present: 26

Opening: LWML Pledge-Responsive Reading

Home: \$95

Mites: \$162.10

80th Anniversary Challenge: \$65.38

Secretary's Minutes

Minutes were read and reviewed. December 17 Gathering and January 12 Board Meeting.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report was reviewed.

Mary pointed out some of the highlights from the December report and the yearend summary report. There is \$830 remaining in the Hostess money. The \$500 Mary Circle donation for the Union Gospel Mission has been sent.. Rebekah Circle is still deciding on where to send their \$500 donation. Once it is decided, Lenny will write and send the check. Mary Ann will order the Quarterlies and Hi Lites since the deadline is soon. Ruth LWML Guild will start the year with \$2,483.58.

New Business

Name

The Board proposed our name to become LWML Guild. Another suggestion was Ruth. Ruth stayed with Naomi to move ahead in the future not knowing where they would go but knowing Naomi's people were her people now. This might be like the 2 circles joining to move ahead together and look out for one another. Max made a motion to choose the name Ruth LWML Guild and Barb seconded the motion. The motion passed.

By-Laws

These will need to be looked at and revised. This will be done by Tammie and 2 other members. Shirley and Mary volunteered to assist with this. The changes will be done by our February 18 meeting.

Board-positions, meeting time

The Board will include the offices of President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Other members of the Board will be 2 Members at Large(they will serve a 4 month term), Hostess Coordinator, 1 Archivist, Special Event Coordinator

2023-24 Board:

President: Mary; Vice President: Tammie; Treasurer: Lenny; Secretary: Julie; Hostess Coordinator: Max; Archivist: Mary; Special Event Coordinator: Illa; Members at Large: (January-April) Shirley and Marsha, (May-August) Judy and Marie

The Board meeting will be held right after the Saturday Guild meeting. No more monthly Thursday night Board meetings.

Bible Studies-Options

Video supported Bible Study? –on LWML Website. Pastors? Quarterlies? Members interested in taking turns? This was discussed at the meeting. For the February meeting, a Bible Study will be done from the Quarterly-Dilemmas and Decisions. Copies (if needed) will be placed on the shelf in the Atrium. Bible studies will be kept to 45 minutes. Other ideas were to have a Bible Study on Ruth. In December do a Bible Study from It's a Wonderful Life–Mary has the leader's guide for this.

Food at Meetings

Illa will continue to do food (small snack) for our meetings. If you would like to help or do a month, let Illa know.

Mission Projects

Call to Freedom–March 18 at 10:00. Mary will check with Maxine to schedule a Minute for Ministry. Invite others for this–it is recommended that pre-teen and younger not attend. \$500 check will be given to them. We will also hold an in-gathering to collect gift cards. There will be a simple snack–something on a napkin.

Shut ins/Alumni Auxiliary–Easter Cards, Christmas cards, Cheer Basket sometime during the year. Max will head this Card committee with assistance from Jerilyn and Judy.

Servicemen–3 that are Zion members. Cards will be sent to them from the Card committee. A Thrivent grant will be applied for to help with the purchase of stamps.

Brighter Transitions-Make blankets again for December. Mary shared an email from Jon from BT. He said they would love to have us do this again. There will be a new set of kids by then. He is seeing blankets all over campus. Kids are even using them instead of their coats when going between buildings. A Thrivent grant will be applied for. Someone interested in heading this project?

Disaster Trailer-Bring to Zion? Have donuts and a speaker during Bible Study this summer?

Diaper Derby--Office project, but LWML Guild helps with this--separating and delivering. It was suggested to make cloth diapers (from tshirts) for the Orphan Grain Train.

Quarterly In Gatherings--What do we want to do? It was suggested to do 4 times a year. 2 for the St. Francis house and 2 to gather money for a chosen cause.

Fundraisers

March 8--Lenten Meal-Baked Potato Bar. There will be a signup sheet at our February meeting. A Thrivent grant will be applied for. Members will provide dessert.

April 2--Muffins for Mites--Shirley made a motion for the proceeds to Mites. Illa seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Other ideas: This Fall do a book/bake/craft/possible plants/honey fundraiser on one weekend. Friday and Saturday are open to the public. Food would also be available for sale. Sunday the sale would only be open to Zion.

Soupless Supper?

*It was suggested to do a Field trip for one of our summer meetings. Children's Inn, St. Francis House, Orphan Grain Train, Brighter Transitions (possibly include a picnic), Other ideas?

*National Convention--June 22-25, 2023 in Milwaukee, WI. The Quarterly has information. There will be a bus going--Colleen from Memorial is coordinating this. Mary will find out information and let us know. For those who do not attend in person want to watch the Livestream? This has been done in the past with Pastor giving Communion.

*Any member can send a card to Auxiliary Members, Shut-ins, and Servicemen any time.

February 18-Ruth LWML Guild Meeting-10:00-Board meeting to follow

March 8--Serve the Lenten Meal

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The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted, Julie