

Ruth LWML Guild Board Meeting Minutes

October 25, 2023

Members Present: Illa, Max, Julie, Jerilyn, Betty, Mary, Lenny, Tammie

September Secretary's Report and Treasurer's Report were approved.

Updates

Bylaws-we will need a ballot (or oral vote) and a copy of the bylaws for Nov. Meeting

Recap of Fund Raiser: \$1420.25 was made from the Book/Bake sale. \$267 was made from the sale of food. 50 bottles of honey have been sold. Our share of the honey is \$150.

Max and cards—Christmas cards for Shut ins will be signed at the November meeting. Mary will make these cards.

Just a reminder to make sure all doors are locked when we leave the church after activities/meetings.

Bible Study for November meeting

We will use the Quarterly for the Bible Study this month. Pastor Grams will be asked to do one of the studies—he can pick from the 3 in the Quarterly. Limit to 45 minutes.

T-Shirt Diapers

Jan and Hal are headed North and can drop these off.

November Meeting

Vote on bylaws and budget.

Tie Blankets: Finish tie blankets and put them in bags.. Mary will check with Jon to get names and how many boys/girls. We can label bags. Bags will need to be counted and then let Shirley know how many more we will need. She has offered to provide how many we need. Illa will put in info on the history of Christmas and do colored cards. Mary will print a verse to put on the inside of the cards. 9 blankets were done at the meeting on Saturday. 32 blankets are done. Mary has ordered 15 more kits. Need about 5 more kits. They are available at JoAnn fabrics. A blanket work session will be held after Bible Study on November 9 around 11 AM. Illa will provide lunch. Tammie will talk to Lisa about Youth Group possibly tying some blankets.

December Christmas Luncheon-December 16

All Office Staff will be invited. Mary will make invitations. Ruth Guild will pay for their meals. Food from Hy-Vee. It will be a potato bar and cost \$10. Will have a signup sheet at the Welcome Center.. Can pay on the day of the luncheon.

January 20 Meeting

Let's start thinking about it. Do we want a simple activity? Ingathering? Woman hygiene products for St. Francis House? Plan our year—honest talk of what worked, what didn't, what they liked, what they didn't. How do we help those who can't make Saturday work? Is there anyone in our regular attendees that would like to lead an evening group again or an on-line group? If we want it a very low-key Circle, do we need a Board or can all business be conducted at our meeting? A list of questions for members to answer will be given at our November meeting. These questions will be taken home and filled out. It has to be turned in by the end of the year. We will use some sort of drop box for members to put it in and this will keep it anonymous. They will be looked at the Board meeting on Jan. 10 at 4:45. We will have to let Maxine know so we can reserve the Conference room.

Budget

Do we try to pare it down? Have a sign-up for Quarterlies? Fundraisers-do we want to live on home mite offering? Pastoral Aid-continue? LWML flowers-won't be our year. Zone dues Memorials? Greeting Cards?

The Executive Board will meet to finalize the Budget to present at the November meeting.

Thank You's Received

District-President's Mercy Fund-for the \$1000 that was given to assist a Pastor and families in times of need.

Julie Prochiak-Memorial

Teddy Bear Den—Diaper donation

Alpha Center Staff-Diaper donation

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

December 16-Christmas Luncheon

January 20-Ruth LWML Guild Meeting 10:00

Respectfully submitted, Julie