Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club Business Meeting Minutes

02/01/2024

Present: Gail Blucher, Carol Swan, Kathy & Gary Turnquist, Mary Stewart, Bill McCarville, Lynn McIntyre, Hal Hultman, Cheryl VanVliet, Maggie & Norm Hamada, and Theresa Furget.

1. Maggie called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.
2. Gary led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Additions & Corrections to Agenda: Gary added Club Outing-Purple Rose to VII c and New Civitan Club to VII d. Kathy added Bake Sale to IX g. Carol added Dixboro to VIII a.
4. Approval of January 4, 2024 Minutes: Gary made a motion and Hal seconded it to accept the minutes. Motion passed.
5. Treasurer’s Report-Kathy: Kathy went over the January financial statement. She indicated that she’d reserved the pavilion at the top of the hill at Plymouth Twp. Park for the summer months. She also indicated that she received a thank you note from Kelly the high school teacher. There was a discussion as to what to do with the Candy Box funds. Cheryl indicated that Civitan International has directed clubs to donate the funds to special needs events/groups. It was decided to donate the funds to Cooke School and make up the difference so that donation totals $1,200. Gary made a motion and Bill seconded it to accept the treasurer’s report. Motion passed.
6. Correspondence: Maggie reported that the club received a Happy Holiday card and donation letter from the Living & Learning Enrichment Center. Also received a Happy Holiday card and donation letter from the Leader Dogs. A thank you card was received from Claxton Fruitcakes and Focus Hope sent a letter requesting a donation.
7. Administration
   1. Members’ Updates of Members: Carol reported that Barb is receiving therapy at home and still is using a walker.
   2. Dinner Meeting February 15th at E. G. Nicks: Tim Schroeter Cooke School social worker will be the guest speaker.
   3. Club Outing-Purple Rose-Gary: Maureen is putting together an outing to see the play The Antichrist Cometh (March 22nd-May 25th). She’s looking at a Wednesday matinee . If interested in going, contact her.
   4. New Civitan Club-Gary: The Lenawee Club under Lennie Green has charted a new club in Adrian.
   5. Anniversary Presentation-Maggie: Maggie presented Carol with her 30-year anniversary pin as a Civitan.
8. Funds: Carol Swan & Mary Stewart:
   1. Dixboro-Carol: Received a check for $80.60 for the November fundraiser.
9. Service-Gary Turnquist:
   1. Essay Contest Dinner-Kathy: **This will be held on the third Wednesday of April-April 17th at the Plymouth Arts Council.** The menu hasn’t been chosen yet and the price will be determined later. The essay topic is: “What is the Cost of Dishonesty?” Kathy will need help in setting up, serving beverages, cleaning up and other things. Theresa will be collecting the money at the door. Let her know if you’re able to help.
   2. Camp Civitan-Cheryl: This will be held June 6th-9th. The theme this year is Halloween. The DJ has already been secured. She needs counselors, and bingo prizes.
   3. Special Olympics Bowling-Gary: He doesn’t have the date yet, normally runs about 8 weeks. He’ll check with the bowling alley to see what the date is and what the cost will be. He expects the cost will go up. The discussion was to whether to take photo’s this year and whether to raise the cost from $5 to $8, or $10 per photo. This is to be discussed further at the February dinner meeting and a decision will be made about the photos. There was discussion about using a backdrop for the photos or a table with the Civitan tablecloth and a bowling ball sitting on it to take the pictures. An additional discussion was about holding a recruiting session with the parents/chaperons concerning them joining Civitans. The club needs more members, and this would be a good group to recruit from since the club has paid for bowling for many years.
   4. Anastasia’s & Katie’s Coffee Shop-Mary: Mary thanked everyone that came out for the fourth anniversary celebration, which was reported on by WDIV and shown on TV. WDIV was doing a story on Share Detroit, which is a new organization that hooks up with volunteers with non-profits. Mary will open the shop for the March 21st dinner meeting. At the next business meeting-March 7th she’ll have a menu and members can put in their orders.
   5. Focus Hope-Gary: He’s looking at May 11th or the 18th. He’ll find out the number needed. Need more participants. Maggie will contact her neighbor who works at Ford’s in the community service/volunteer department to see if the club can get their help at Focus Hope. At the February dinner meeting will discuss further.
   6. Up Coming Dates for Projects: None reported.
   7. Bake Sale-Kathy: The Canton 55+ Club is looking for bakers to provide bake goods on March 25th from 10 AM to @ PM. Contact Kathy if you can provide some bake sale products.
10. Adjournment: Mary made a motion and Gary seconded it to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM. Motion passed.

Minutes taken by Theresa Furget on 02/01/24 and respectfully submitted on 02/02/24.