Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club Business Meeting Minutes

05/06/21

Present: Kathy & Gary Turnquist, Fred Eagle, Maggie & Norm Hamada, Maureen Posler, Carol Swan, Gail Blucher, Cheryl Van Vliet, Hal Hultman, Jacquie Norton, Barb Mleczek, and Theresa Furget.

Cheryl called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM.

1. Minutes of 04/01/21: Kathy made a motion and Hal seconded it to accept the minutes. Motion passed.
2. Treasurer’s Report: Kathy reported the general account has $21,155.62 currently in it. There’s been no change in the candy box account and remains at $631.67. The Millionaire Party account has $14,726.26 in it. Theresa made a motion and Hal seconded it to accept the treasurer’s report. Motion passed.
3. Administration:
   1. Dinner Meeting: Richards Restaurant at 6 PM on 05/20/21.
   2. June Business Meeting: Salvation Army 6:30 PM on 06/03/21 in the upstairs room with social distancing.
   3. Summer picnics at the park on 06/17/21, 07/15/21 and 08/26/21. Bring your own meal.
   4. Virtual International Convention 07/28-31/Voting Delegates: Cheryl indicated you can attend virtually or in person-Jacksonville, FL. Must register by 06/15/21 for virtual with registration fee of $50. The club gets four voting delegates. It was decided that Cheryl, Jacquie, Kathy, and Maggie will be the voting delegates. Hal made a motion, and it was seconded by Kathy to pay $50 for the voting delegates registration. They will need to register online and pay via credit card. Then let Kathy know and she’ll issue a check for $50 reimbursement. Motion passed. Members interested in attending, let Cheryl know.
   5. North Central District Convention: Theresa indicated that the convention will be held the same weekend as the Plymouth Fall Festival 09/10-12 and as the North Central secretary she must attend and won’t be able to help with the Plymouth Fall Festival.
4. Funds
   1. MI Raffle: Tickets will be available at the dinner meeting on 05/20/21. Cost is $5 per ticket and drawing is in September.
   2. Balloon Fest 06/25-27: Cheryl stated there’s no information online about volunteers for the event and whether parking volunteers will receive pay or not. Cheryl wanted to know if members are interested in working this, however, she and Hal will be on vacation at this time. Members are interested and Cheryl will check further about this and report back when she has more information.
   3. Plymouth Fall Festival: This will be held the weekend of 09/10-12. Hours are Fri & Sat Noon-10 PM and Sun 10AM-6 PM. According to Kathy, there will be less tables and chairs available, and the chamber is still waiting to hear from the amusement rides vendor. Discussion was to increase the price of photo buttons/magnets and keychains to $8. There was discussion of learning how to take photos off individual’s phones and making them in a button, magnet, or keychain. Gary and Cheryl will check further into this.
   4. Taste Fest: Kathy indicated the space in EG Nicks parking lot is smaller which makes it difficult to handle the crowd. Restaurants are not interested in participating this year. Also, there’s supposed to be food trucks in attendance this year. It was decided to skip Taste Fest this year. The chamber’s plan is to pair food trucks with organizations/vendors at the festival. Thought is that the club might receive some of the profits along with the food truck vendor. Kathy will check further on this as to what all is involved. Since the club won’t be doing the Taste Fest this year, an ad can be put into the Fall Festival brochure thanking all the restaurants that have participated in the past. Members thought this was a great ideal. Cheryl will research how much this ad will cost and get back to members so a motion can be made to pay for it.
5. Service:
   1. Adopt-a-Planter 05/15/21: Meet at Kellogg Park at 9 AM for those wanting to help. So far, Mo, Carol S., Kathy, Maggie, and Cheryl will help with the planting. Gary made a motion and Kathy seconded it to spend $100 to purchase the plants. Motion passed.
   2. Book Project: Kathy indicated that 100 books were bought from Barnes & Nobles. This will entitle each four-year-old child to receive two books. She has stickers to put in each book indicating the book is donated by the Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club in honor of Katherine Thompson a Salem High School teacher. Jacquie and Maggie are coordinating members to bring a coloring book and crayons (box of 8 crayons, fat crayons or three-sided crayons) to the next dinner meeting. They indicated the dollar stores have the best coloring books/crayons.
   3. Camp Civitan 06/10-13: Chery indicated she has 39 campers so far and is expecting about 45. She has 10 staffers so far. She needs masks for the campers to have a new one each day. Kathy stated she can get the additional masks from the United Way and Maggie will find face shields for the camping staff. The theme is Happy Birthday, celebrating 30 years of Camp Civitan. Cheryl is working on the camp tee-shirts with this theme.
   4. Salvation Army Donut Project 06/01-04: Salvation Army is looking for three shifts for each of these days. 10 AM-Noon will make the donuts, Noon-2 PM will package the donuts, and 2-4 PM will deliver the donuts. Members must sign up individually with Sandy at the Salvation Army. Sandy can be contacted at: 734-453-5464. Also, members can go to Amazon Wish List to make a monetary donation for the donut ingredients.
   5. Ford Rd. Clean-up Next Date: Sat 07/24th. Thanks to all who participated in the April cleanup: Barb, Mary, Bill, Cheryl, Norm, Gary, Hal, Colin, Emily, Kathy, and Diana.
   6. Pumpkin Palooza 10/24/21, Noon-2:30 PM: Members want to participate this year. Will need 2,500 pieces of candy. Last time the club handed out Welches Fruit pieces and Pixie Stix’s. Cost is $150 to participate, Kathy will check on this further.
   7. Focus Hope-Kensington Valley Civitan Club-05/08/21: The Kensington Valley Civitan Club is looking for volunteers for this Sat from 9 AM to Noon. KVCC members did participate in April Plymouth-Canton Focus Hope Food Box Build. Let Cheryl know if you can help.
   8. Blanket Kits for Kids in Hospitals: Maureen talked about making colorful blankets for kids that are hospitalized. A kit costs $25 and it takes less than hour to assemble (just tying the knots). The kits will be delivered and picked up by the coordinator. This could be done as a group activity or individually. Gary made a motion and Mo seconded it to spend $750 from the Millionaires Party account to assemble 30 blanket kits. Motion passed. Mo will contact the coordinator to have him speak to the club either at the May dinner meeting on the 20th, or the next business meeting on June 3rd.

Meeting adjourned at 7:41 PM.

Minutes taken and respectfully submitted by Theresa Furget on 05/07/21.