Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club Business Meeting Minutes

06-03-21

Present: Carol Swan, Barb Mleczek, Gail Blucher, Carol Chanter, Kathy & Gary Turnquist, Hal Hultman, Cheryl Van Vliet, Maureen Posler, Jacqui Norton, Maggie & Norm Hamada, Bill McCarville, Dianne Griswold, and Theresa Furget.

Cheryl called the meeting to order at 6:28 PM.

1. Additions & Corrections: None.
2. Correspondence:
   1. Thank you, letter was received from the Plymouth Historical Museum, thanking the club for membership. Kathy will keep the membership card.
   2. Received a letter from the 2021 Student Citizenship Award committee for the club’s $200 donation. The high school recipients receive the monetary award based upon their volunteer work.
   3. Received an e-mail from the United Way of Plymouth announcing a food drive for the local food pantries to run from June 25th-27th. Cheryl will put the location of the drop off centers in the June Newsletter.
   4. Received a letter from the Plymouth Community Council on Aging asking for volunteers for their annual picnic (which will also serve as a fundraiser) on September 15th (Wednesday) to be held at the Plymouth Twp. Park from 11 AM-2 PM. Let Kathy know if you can volunteer. They’re also looking for sponsors as they get no funds from the State of MI. Carol Swan made a motion and Carol Chanter seconded it to donate $250 from the Millionaires Party account to the Plymouth Community Council on Aging. Motion passed.
3. Minutes of 05/06/21: Gary made a motion and Kathy seconded it to accept the minutes. Motion passed.
4. Treasurer’s Report: Kathy reported $20,566.54 is in the general account, the candy box account has $631.67, and the Millionaire Party account has $14,726.26. Gary made a motion and Carol Chanter seconded it to accept the treasurer’s report. Motion passed.
5. Administration:
   1. Dinner Meeting: Plymouth Twp. Park under the Pavilion at top of the hill @ 6 PM-Jacqui : Bring your own food and drink and chair (if you don’t want to sit at a picnic table).
   2. No July 1st or August 5th business meetings.
   3. Summer Picnics: July 15th and August 26th:
   4. Virtual International Convention July 28th-31st/voting delegates: Maggie, Jacqui, Kathy, Cheryl, and Hal. Voting will be held on July 29th as to whether to keep the districts or not. Gary asked what’s happening with the North Central District. Both Cheryl and Theresa reported that everything is on hold until after the vote. This isn’t to take effect until October 2022 if the districts are eliminated. Wendy Rogers is the governor elect and will take her office in October 2021. Theresa indicated as the North Central District secretary there has been no activity with the board members.
6. Funds:
   1. MI Raffle: Carol Swan will handle selling the raffle tickets for the next month. There are 110 tickets left to sell and the raffle will be held this September.
   2. Balloon Fest June 26th-28th: Cheryl indicated that the Balloon Fest will be handled differently this year as they’re splitting up the events and moving them to different locations. No volunteers are needed for parking as the club has done in the past.
   3. Plymouth Fall Festival: This is from September 10th to the 12th. The club will be running the photo booth. Volunteers will be needed to help. Kathy reported it’s not clear if the pancake breakfast and spaghetti dinner will be held. The Rotary will have the chicken dinner on Sunday. Food trucks are supposed to be there with plans still to be decided how the club can help and receive money.
   4. Taste Fest: None this year as Kathy indicated that restaurants are coming off the pandemic and it’s unlikely, they would volunteer to participate.
7. Service: Gary
   1. Adopt-a-Planter May 15th-Kathy: Kathy stated Maggie, Cheryl, Fred, and Gary helped her to plant on the 15th. She thinks a few more flowers are needed, and she’ll do that this weekend. Pictures of the planter can be seen on the club’s Facebook page.
   2. Book Project-Kathy, Maggie, Jacqui: Maggie and Jacqui reported that the books (100) along with the bags of coloring books and crayons were delivered to the Allen Academy. The books and bags were given to the four-year-old preschoolers to help them to learn to read. The books were bought at Barnes & Noble. Pictures can be seen on the club’s Facebook page.
   3. Camp Civitan-Cheryl: Cheryl reported she has 54 campers and 13 staff/volunteers. This year’s theme is “Happy Birthday!” Celebrating the camps’ 30th year. Tee shirts will have the happy birthday theme. Kayaking is all set up as is the DJ for the dance. All the craft items are organized and ready to go. Campers will receive a canvas bag in which they will paint a birthday cake on it. To do this, 70 birthday cake templates were needed (to be made by a Cricut). Maggie had a friend who volunteered to do this, however, health issues intervened. Maggie then went to the Canton Michael’s store and enlisted a couple of employees. One of them had to drop out due to family issues. However, the other employee-Katie came through and did the templates. Cheryl was able to pick them up (and paid Katie for doing this) and now, just waiting for camp to happen. Way to go Maggie!
   4. Salvation Army Donut Project June 1st-Maureen: This is running from June 1st to the 4th. Members (Kathy packaged the bags, Mary baked the donuts and Cheryl, and Maureen delivered the donuts) helped. This is the first year the Plymouth Salvation Army participated, they have a few kinks to work out. This is a tradition that started in WW1 in which the Salvation Army handed out donuts to volunteers. Donuts were delivered to local community groups in the Plymouth area who have supported the Salvation Army in the past year. Some who received donuts this week: local churches and libraries, fire and police stations, Kroger’s, VFW, and Eagles just to name a few.
   5. Ford Road Clean-up Next Date-Gary: July 24th meet at 8 AM in the parking lot of the former Marie Scrambler’s restaurant. Breakfast to follow at Leo’s.
   6. Plymouth Community Council on Aging-September 15th Fundraiser, Volunteers Needed-Kathy: See 2 above for details.
   7. Pumpkin Palooza October 24th: Volunteers will be needed to hand out candy again. Volunteers may dress up if they want to.
   8. Focus Hope (Gary just added): October 23rd is the date.
   9. Cheryl put Maggie and Jacqui in charge of the picnic.
8. Dianne Griswold has rejoined the club-welcome Dianne!

Meeting adjourned at 7:21 PM.

Minutes taken on 06/03/21 and respectfully submitted on 06/04/21 by Theresa Furget.