

FoCC General Membership Meeting Minutes: November 7, 2020

ATTENDANCE: Jerry Antonucci, Kitt Kurtz, Barb Hertrick, Larry Furman, Lizzy Flannery, Chris Miller, Michelle Dolensky, Kathy Prochnow, Kathleen Shippy, Phyllis Richardson, Barb Gannon, Tim Lilley, Patti Longville, Tess Flannery, Kathy Cable, Craig Witalis, Lewis Brewer, Mark Szabo, Dick Champion. Absent: Sally Antonucci, Libby McGraw, Bill Marras

Call to Order: J. Antonucci, President, called meeting to order at 11:32 am via Zoom

Prayer: L. Furman led us in our prayer

Review/Approval of Minutes: B. Hertrick, Secretary. General Membership Minutes from February 8, 2020 reviewed.

Motion made by L. Brewer 2nd by T. Lilley to approve minutes as written. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer Report: L. Furman, Treasurer

End of 3rd Quarter Balance is \$30,091.13

Campership Fund (Huntington Bank) Balance is \$11,382.45

Motion made by P. Richardson and 2nd by C. Miller to approve Treasurer Report. Motion passed unanimously

OLD BUSINESS

Committee Reports/Updates: See attached document

a) Pandemic Reverse Raffle: P. Longville

-7th Annual Pandemic Reverse Raffle held via Facebook live on Thursday, September 17, 2020 at Day Camp Pavilion. 10 winning tickets were pulled and winners announced.

-In person 2019 event raised \$8,000. Pandemic 2020 event raised \$3,471.88. We may need to hold the 2021 Reverse Raffle the same way we did the 2020 Reverse Raffle.

-2020 Reverse Raffle held its 1st Online Silent Auction of Tom Mayer's Original Watercolor Painting of Old Man's Cabin raising \$600.00 which is the highest amount raised.

b) Historian/Merchandise(Ways & Means): T. Lilley

-Updated post on FoCC Web page. Archive of pictures on the Facebook Linger and FoCC Pages.

-FoCC Year in Review will be completed once Volunteer hours added and will go out with Annual Appeal letter.

-Merchandise for sale include: FoCC T-shirts, 2021 Calendars, Note Cards of Tom Mayer Paintings and 8x10 Prints of Tom Mayer Paintings. Tim and Patti are housing all the Inventory at their home, please let them know if you would like to purchase anything. Can Order off the Webpage and pay via Pay Pal or a check mailed to 540 Stanton Ave, Akron, Ohio 44301. friendsofcampchristopher.org

c) Membership: M. Dolensky

-Due to Covid-19 we were unable to have the FoCC Welcome Tables this summer at Resident/Family Camp Registration Days.

-Want to enhance Membership with representatives to assist for each decade of Camp. 60's, 70's, 80's and 90's are covered. Need reps for 50's, 2000's, 2010's and 2020's. Members of each decade that would also want to join our different Committee's to

Provide diversity, input of new ideas and help with committee needs. If you know anyone, Please inform Michelle Dolensky with name and contact info.

d) Catholic Charities Liaison: K. Shippy

Attended 3 meetings thus far with nothing to report and meeting minutes to be sent to her J. Antonucci will discuss with K. Shippy what should be reported to FoCC.

e) Facilities: Bill Marras (absent from meeting) B. Gannon reports

- Curtain Project for Cabins Oscar Romero, Casa La Plaz and Kutz for the Special Populations campers have been completed. The curtains meet all Fire Code requirements. They are at B. Gannon's house until they will be installed. L. Furman has installed Rods. They are cotton, light colors with accent top panel that match in each cabin.

-Grass Seed T. Flannery thanked us for funding this project

f) Volunteer: P Richardson

-As of today's meeting, Total Volunteer Hours = 1880.5 hours. (More hours to be added)

-Thanked L. Furman for having volunteer groups out to help with camp projects

-Volunteer groups included: JAM, Boy Scouts with 4 Eagle Scout projects in 2019 and 3 Eagle Scout projects in 2020

Committees per J. Antonucci should be meeting with members throughout the year via email, phone calls, Zoom. Many Committees are looking to increase members, please go to website and contact the Chairperson to join. It's a great opportunity to reconnect with old friends, provide new ideas, give input and help FoCC.

NEW BUSINESS

1) President's Report: J. Antonucci

a) Appointed and welcomed following new members to these positions:

V.P. - Kitt Kurtz; Ways & Means Chair- Chris Miller; Catholic Charities Liaison- Kathleen Shippy

b) General Membership Meeting dates for 2021 have not been established yet.

As we move into 2021 and with Covid-19 Pandemic, we have to wait to see how and When we will be able to meet. Once this is known, it will be announced.

Hoping to have short business meeting followed by fun activities, such as Campfire, Picnic, Swimming, etc.

2) Ways & Means

-Merchandising: T. Lilley reported on most of this earlier. Now everything will be a one-stop shop. Best place to shop and order is online through the website under the Have Fun Tab. Please give the website about a week to be updated.

3) Finance Committee: L. Furman

a) Partners in Giving- Proposed \$250 to the Board and the amount was increased to \$1,000.

Motion made by P. Longville and 2nd by L. Brewer for FoCC to send donation of \$1,000

To Partners in Giving and designate it for Camp Christopher. Motion passed unanimously.

b) Derby for Dollars: we approved the donation of \$600 for the 2020 event, it has been

Postponed until 2021 and therefor, the \$600 will carry over.

c) Approval of 2021 Budget

-2020 Budget was \$27,000 with expenses totaling \$21,000

-2021 Budget needing approval totals \$25,000. We have a balance of funds available \$30,000 projected 2021 budget needs General Membership Approval.

Motion was made by L. Brewer and 2nd by K. Shippy to Approve Budget proposal as stated by the Treasurer. Motion passed unanimously.

4) Camp Update: T. Flannery

- a) Summit County Catholic Charities currently is 1.3 million in the hole. Not typical as they usually have a 5-10% buffer at the end of each year. A \$600,000 is quite a burden and effects not only Camp but other programs.
- b) donations earmarked for Camperships go to Camp and are self-sustaining. Camp had to offer an abbreviated program this year and we lost money. Needed to increase Staffing so more counselors to campers for smaller groups and increased cleaning and sanitizing protocols.
- c) the diocese did receive Covid Relief funds but still not enough to cover the losses.
- d) Adult Day program had been closed since March and reopened in September with extreme high risk and need to evaluate month to month.
- e) monies that were budgeted in the Spring as if it would be a normal season had hopes to open with being cautious and aware of health issues with the pandemic. Low census did not require all the usage of Campership funding that was available. Camp was closed for the summer with the exception of the 2 Day Camp programs that we were able to have. Other programs with high demand were not able to open due to being cost prohibitive.
- f) Maintenance was the only department open throughout this year and they were able to Repair and make improvements to camp and it looks great! Facilities projects that had Been approved have been shelved until we can open and use the monies designated. New Maintenance Garage was completed.
- g) Catholic Charities priorities at this time are for those needing shelter, food and counseling. Many have been laid off and downsized because of Covid-19 and the current situation.
- h) Fundraising opportunities with Catholic Charities are:
 - Dining for Dollars event at Melt was held in late October. Proceeds go to not only Cleveland and Summit but other areas as well with the greatest need.
 - Wayside Furniture will double the donation given up to \$100. 11/27-12/1/2020
Can designate funds to go to Camp Christopher.
 - We Give Catholic is on 12/1/2020 and will continue to support programs as needed and
Can designate funds to go to Camp.
- i) Comments/Questions:
 - Kudos to Camp for running the Day Camp programs without anyone getting sick
 - Even if it is unknown, is Camp planning to run some type of season?
Won't know for sure at this point. Will be keeping licenses that are needed for kitchen
Beach up, they will be constantly reassessing and won't hire until they know they can
Open or be contingent upon opening.

ADJOURNMENT: meeting was adjourned by J. Antonucci at 12:25 pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1) Akron Snow Angels: K. Prochnow

This is a program that some members of FoCC in their own time would agree to volunteer. It helps the homeless of Akron and was a cause near and dear to Jim Sovacool's heart for The last 3 years. We decided to participate again this year in Jim's honor with his kids.

This year, they are not accepting food donations, but there are other things that we can donate. A list is published on their website akronsnowangels.com or [.org](http://akronsnowangels.org).

K. Prochnow has volunteered to coordinate this program with those of us interested in participating outside of FoCC. Contact K. Prochnow if interested.

2) Craig Witalis would like to thank FoCC for all the support, sympathy cards and the beautiful tribute of his Mom, Gerry Witalis, given to him and his siblings and family. It was much appreciated.

3) Thank you to all those who joined us via Zoom from other areas of Ohio, and the United States! It was great to see you all again.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP ACTIVITY

Tim Lilley lead us all in a 6 question Camp Christopher Trivia contest! It was a lot of fun and eye opening when you did not know the majority of the answers. Thank you Tim! Congratulations to the winner: Michelle Dolensky won a set of the 8x10 Prints!

Minutes submitted by Barb Hertrick, Secretary