

FoCC Membership Meeting Minutes
Saturday August 19 2023, 11:30 am @ Camp Christopher

Call to Order: Jerry Antonucci

Welcome:

- Attendance: Kathy Cable, Dick Champion, Kathy Prochnow, Phyllis Richardson, Bill Marras, Barb Marras, Barb Gannon, Margie Sovacool, Patti Longville, Tim Lilley, Barb Hertrick, Irene Lawrence, Marybeth Mediate, Jeanne McGuire, Dave Golya, Janet Corey, Mary Truax, Lizzy Flannery, Chris Miller, Michelle Dolensky, Sally Antonucci, Michele Dolensky, Larry Furman, Kitt Kurtz, Jerry Antonucci, Tessy Flannery
- Mission Statement read by Jerry Antonucci

Prayer: Larry Furman

-Blessed Mary Statue has been cleaned by Knights of Columbus and Craig Witalis

Minutes Approval: 5/13/2023, Membership Meeting:

Motion to approve 5/13/23 minutes: Barb Gannon

2nd: Kathy Prochnow

Approval: Unanimous

Treasurer Report/Finance Committee: Larry Furman

- Refer to submitted treasurers report
- Endowment fund was for 3 months.
- Motion to approve: Tim Lilley

2nd: Bill Marras

Approval: Unanimous

Committee Reports:

- Reverse Raffle- Patti Longville:refer to committee report. Catholic Charities office provided a bag of camp stuff and a \$100 gift certificate for the raffle.
- Staff Support- Margie Sovacool- provided weekly staff support for resident camp, day camp, Sunfun staff, family camp, and September song. Bernadette posted pictures on Facebook. Bernadette will post a thank you to the family campers for the donations earmarked for staff.
- Ways & Means- Chris Miller: Dine to Donate date discussion- possibly the week after fall fest so we can advertise at the fall fest.
- Webmaster/historian- Tim Lilley: appreciates feedback on the website. Thank you to Cassie Seter Dooley for sharing her photos.
- Nomination Committee: refer to committee report. Can take nominations for positions starting today until October 31st, 2023. The nominating information will be put on the website.
 - Margie Sovacool nominated Marybeth Mediate for At Large member.
 - Mary Truax nominated Jeanne McGuire for At Large member.

President's Report:

- Committees 2023: Committees get meeting dates to Tim to post on the website.

- Kitt applied for and received a \$500 Grant gift card from Petitti's. The flowers and mulch were purchased & planted and tended by Kitt Kurtz.
- Our Catholic Charities Liaison Bill Marras received a request that FoCC participate in the Fall Festival again this year. We were given a contract to fill out to reserve a booth and there is a \$30.00 fee for the booth. The contract and check have been sent in. Will need volunteers for FOCC table as well as volunteers for Fall Fest activities.

Discussion:

- Liability Insurance: 1 million dollar 1 year standard liability insurance policy from Hastings and Bedell for \$1349.00.
 - Discussion: May need more information regarding policy details. We could do this for a year and continue to do the research. Some protection is better than none, and continue to research. Membership to be provided more information. The members should vote to approve the policy
 - Motion Patti Longville: Friends of Camp Christopher to purchase the Hastings and Bedell liability insurance not to exceed \$1400 for 1 year.
2nd Barb Gannon
Approval Unanimous
- Other payment options to offer besides cash, check and pay pal. Recommended Venmo and square.
- Promoting FOCC- need to do a better job. Give ideas to board members

Tess Flannery- Catholic Charities/Camp report

- Summer programs- great attendance. Need to bolster attendance in Sumfun.
 - Discovery camp was restored- during September Song.
 - Length of summer was shortened by 1 week. Improved staff availability. Good feedback from campers regarding the summer and the staff. Most likely will continue with this plan.
 - By next meeting, Tess hopes to share the financial aid information. This summer able to serve all the groups previously served, plus added One Hope NEO.
 - ACA accreditation was this summer. Olivia was well prepared. Score to be received in the future.
 - Fall Festival October 21st- still looking for sponsorships. Info available on website, or email Tessy.
 - Building projects-
 - Covered deck on the front of the dining hall with reorientation of entrance to the center of the deck. Current entrance will become a service entrance only. The deck will provide outdoor seating. Will begin this fall. Should be about an 8 week project.
 - Plans to build a chapel are beginning.
 - Small grant through ACA for kids who are in migrational resettlement to be sent to Camp Christopher. Someone from Bath Country Journal is doing an article about it.
 - Fall festival- The vendor table fee for FOCC table is new this year. Tess will ask Maddie about background checks.
 - Environmental Ed is rebooking the schools from last year. Some are switching from spring to fall.
- Irene Lawrence spoke to the VFW of Barberton, OH to give a presentation about camperships. The VFW gave \$650 for a campership. Irene has been invited back.
 - Jack Mediate has funds from his Eagle Scout project (the original trees he planted died and he got \$250 refund) in the form of a gift certificate for Maria's to give back to camp.
 - Plan for a volunteer work day to be scheduled in September.

- 2024 FOCC calendar- if we print 100 and sell 60-70 we break even. Plan to do it again. Will be ready for reverse raffle and fall festival.
- Larry Furman stated the summer was amazing, staff was great, and he is thankful for those who have helped him.
- Next Board Meeting November 11th at 11:30 am

Adjournment: Jerry Antonucci

Motion: Phyllis Richardson

2nd Margie Sovacool

Unanimous approval