



MINUTES CWL General Meeting

Blessed Sacrament Parish, Amherstview, Ontario

DATE/TIME: Tuesday, June 9, 2015 Church Hall

LOCATION: Blessed Sacrament Church Hall, Amherstview, Liturgy of the Word

In Attendance: Shirley McDonald, Theresa Shanks, Donna Guiney, Margaret Wilson, Eleanor Wagar, Danna Dobson, Ann Leclair, Bernadette Burgess, Mary Grace Amann, Susan Aubin, Mary Garrah, Carol Daigle, Bernadette Veitch, Mary Lou Hills, Kelly Neville

#	Executive Reports	Presenter
1.	Welcome and call of meeting to order	Bernadette Veitch
2.	Opening prayer: Prayer for the Holy Father	Donna Guiney
3.	Danna Dobson moved to approve the minutes of the April 14 th meeting with correction of 13.4 under New Business. Kelly Neville seconded the motion.	Mary Lou Hills
4.	A motion to approve the May 12, 2015 minutes was made by Ann Leclair, seconded by Kelly Neville.	Mary Lou Hills
5.	Spiritual Advisor's Report: N/A	Donna Guiney
6.	Treasurer's Report: Balance on hand May 31, 2015 \$1,996.60. Convention hosts noted that we would be reimbursed registration fees and lunches overpayment. Members asked Executive to remind Smith Falls Council of their commitment to reimburse. Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Shirley McDonald, seconded by Margaret Wilson.	Kelly Neville
7.	Membership Report: Carol notified National Office re changes in Executive positions	Carol Daigle
8.	Presidents Report: Bernadette thanked all those who graciously gave of their time before and during the recent ham dinner. Unfortunately an incident occurred revolving around the lift... it failed with the result that the person involved broke her femur, will require surgery with the possibility of a steel plate installed. The company that maintains the lift was to come on June 10 th to check it over. Bernadette reminded us of the upcoming Provincial Convention to be held from July 4-July 8 in Niagara Falls.	Bernadette Veitch
9.	Past President's Report: We had unfinished business: At this time Bernadette Veitch received her President's pin.	Shirley McDonald
10.	Old Business	Shirley McDonald
	10.1 Wellness Fair: Shirley McDonald provided members with an update as Marie Pemberton was unable to come due to another commitment. The fair will be held on September 19, 2015 from 10-2 p.m. The committee continues to update the schedule of presenters as they are approved by Father, are added or cancel. We are looking for presenters who will promote health.	for Marie Pemberton
	10.2 Foster Family: Donna presented family with several gifts at a recent visit. She seemed to be doing well at this time.	Donna Guiney
	10.3 Ham Dinner: Our net income was 858.90.	Shirley McDonald
11.	Standing Committees Reports	
	11.1 Spiritual Development: Donna provided us with the history of the Miraculous Medal of the Blessed Mother. The Blessed Mother grants seven graces to the souls who honor her daily by meditating on her tears and sorrows The Hail Mary is prayed seven times, once after each meditation. This devotion was passed on by St. Bridget. Theresa Shanks and Donna have purchased these medals for members of the council. Those present at the meeting received a special card outlining the seven sorrows and the seven graces that she will bestow. On May 10 th 35 council members were present for the crowning of the statue of the Blessed Mother.	Donna Guiney



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Members processed with servers and Father.

11.2 Christian Family Life: No report available

11.3. Organization: Shirley McDonald was appointed as Recording Secretary to the Diocesan Council. Motion made by Donna Guiney and seconded by Eleanor Wagar to send a card and to have a mass said for victim of lift accident.

Bernadette Veitch

11.4 Community Life: it is highly recommended by National Office that 1% of member's luxury items, purchased monthly, be donated to Development and Peace. Members can check with their website as one can direct monies to specific projects. We are reminded that prayers are urgently needed to combat the ISIS movement in Iraq and Syria. Helen Henderson annual birthday party is the 30th of July. Kelly distributed a sheet whereby those present could sign to either assist her or bake cupcakes for the residents.

Kelly Neville

11.5 Education: Eleanor drew our attention to the revised 2006 Ontario Government's curriculum dealing with Physical Education in the schools. Catholic Educators continue to work on incorporating the changes in keeping with Catholic values and beliefs. Eleanor will present the \$150 Grade 8 CWL Graduation Award to a graduating student as per the criteria outlined in policy number 7.1

Eleanor Wagar

11.6 Communications: Carol reminded us to complete the survey on Hospitality to National Office by June 15th. In the most recent issue (Spring 2015) cards were included. She recommended we use these. National Office also asked Ontario Councils to submit, in 50 words or less, photographs and topics covered by the council to be included in the January issue of "Be League" magazine. It was also suggested that we send a card to our prayer partner that was included in our Winter addition of the League magazine.

Carol Daigle

11.7 Health: The AED has now been installed an training has been completed. It is not difficult.

Marie Pemberton

11.8 Resolutions and Legislation: no report at this time.

Danna Dobson

12. New Business:

12.1 120 chairs, enough tables for the chairs were recently purchased by the parish. Monies for their purchase were provided by a donation. Older tables and plastic chairs will be going to the school. This item will remain on the agenda for September meeting as with the success of the recent bake sale we could assist in their purchase if required.

Shirley McDonald

12.2 Fall Elections: Our current committee chair's tenure ends in 2015. Shirley will chair the upcoming elections. She outlined the general duties of the chairperson which is primarily to report to the council activities completed by their committees which include National, Provincial and Diocesan initiatives for each standing committee.

Shirley McDonald

12.3 At this time prayer cards were distributed commemorating the "Year of Consecrated Life. It is suggested that members pray each day for the sister named for that particular day of the month. The cost of the prayer cards was 5.00 for a package of 20.

Mary Lou Hills

12.5 Snowflake Bazaar: Various area coordinators are in place: Silent Auction: Marie Minifie; Cathy Splinter, kitchen; Theresa Shanks, Christmas Shop and small Religious items table; Pie baking (following Octoberfest). Raffle items already include a donation from Hugh McKenna and a Christmas stocking.

Shirley McDonald

13. **Adjournment and Closing Prayer:** Prayer for Parish Prayer Partner, St. Denis, Athens, Ontario (11 members) was said. Bernadette reminded us to remember Father, the Garrah family and Shirley O'Connor in our prayers

Bernadette Veitch