



MINUTES CWL General Meeting

Blessed Sacrament Parish, Amherstview, Ontario

DATE/TIME: Tuesday, February 10, 2015

LOCATION: Blessed Sacrament Church Hall, Amherstview

In Attendance: Kelly Neville, Margaret Wilson, Jane Burke, Eleanor Wagar, Jane McKenna, Theresa Shanks, Donna Guiney, Marie Pemberton, Shirley McDonald, Bernadette Burgess, Susan Aubin, Mary Garrah, Gail Raymond, Anne M. Nicholls, Carol Daigle, Bernadette Veitch, Shirley O'Connor, Mary Lou Hills.

#	Executive Reports	Presenter
1.	Welcome to the first annual meeting of Blessed Sacrament CWL and to the General meeting.	Shirley O'Connor
2.	Opening prayer: CWL prayer for the Pope	Donna Guiney
3.	Approval of minutes of General Meeting of January 13, 2015.: Moved by Margaret Wilson and 2 nd by Mary Garrah	Mary Lou Hills
4.	Annual General Meeting Report: the report will be posted on our website and copies will be available at the back of the Church. Bernadette Burgess moved to accept the annual report with Kelly Neville seconding it.	Shirley McDonald
5.	Spiritual Advisor's Report: After Mass Father presented CWL members Prayer cards for "Our Lady of the Knots" and "Our Lady of Successes" . He provided us with the history behind these prayer cards.	Father Stan
6.	Spiritual Development and Reflection Donna recommended the following books and articles for us to read.: "The Joy of the Gospel" by Pope Francis "Catholic Update:" Provides us with Highlights of the Season "The Word Among Us" which provides us with mass readings. The "Catholic Update" and "The Word Among Us" is available at the back of the Church. Again Pope Francis provided us with words of reflection on the role of Women in the Church and Society,	Donna Guiney
7	Treasurer's Report:- The 2015 budget and List of Charitable Contributions was presented. There were three additions to the List of Charities: Marie Minifie requested monies for the Lions Club (Christmas baskets?), Marie Pemberton re the purchase of an AED, and the written and verbal submission by Bernadette Burgess for a contribution to Billings Life. Since Marie was not present her request was deferred to a future meeting as was Marie Pemberton's request re the AED. The council required further information on costs etc. It was moved by Margaret Wilson and seconded by Marie Pemberton to provide financial assistance to Billings Life, in the amount of \$100. Billings Life will become a regular charitable donation. Margaret Wilson moved the adoption of the 2015 budget as presented. Seconded by Gail Raymond.	Kelly Neville
8.	Membership report: There are currently 64 paid members and 8 complimentary members for a total of 72 members. Of the 64 members two women transferred in to our Council while we added one new member. One member transferred out.. Nine members have not yet paid. Of those 7 have indicated that they will be renewing. Letters will be sent to those who have not responded to telephone calls and messages. The Catholic Women's League of Canada has established a pre-authorized debit plan system to make the membership payment more efficient. This is optional only. Discussion regarding this followed and by a show of hands members present rejected the on-line pre-authorized debit plan.. The majority wished to continue the	Carol Daigle



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traditional method of payment via Canada Post.

Marie Minifie won the draw of free membership.

9. President's Report

Shirley provided us with a summary of the January 31, 2015 Presidents meeting. Topics included "Feathers of Hope" which focused on the inequalities that exist among Aboriginal peoples. The April 11, Day of Development will focus on "Feathers of Hope"; the national Theme of One Heart, One Voice, One Mission; Prayer Cards for World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life – Religious Orders; purchase of Flag Pins as fundraiser for Convention; the Disbandment of the Sacred Heart CWL Wolfe Island. Shirley distributed Father's gifts of the prayer cards and a feather book mark that Shirley had made.

Shirley O'Connor

10. Past President's Report

A Binder titled "History of Blessed Sacrament CWL" has been prepared and was presented to the council. The binder was passed around for all to view. Binder will be placed in our display cabinet. Thank you Shirley.

Shirley McDonald

11. Old Business

11.1 Day of Adoration: Tentatively set for Sunday, April 12 following Confirmation. There will be a regular 9:00 Mass on that Sunday as well. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament would commence at noon and end at 3 p.m. at which time the Divine Mercy Chaplet will take place. Further information will be provided in the parish bulletin

Donna Guiney

11.2 World Day of Prayer" We are invited to attend the WDP to be held on Friday, March 6, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. at the Kingston West Free Methodist Church on Woodbine Road, Kingston. This year, women of the Bahamas have written a service around Jesus washing the feet of his disciples. The theme is "Do you know what I have done to you!" While there is a directive to attend a WDP in Belleville we are reminded that we are a part of a group of 12 churches called the Kingston West Area. Blessed Sacrament Parish has been chose to host this event in 2016.

Theresa Shanks

11.3 Foster family: Nothing to report. This will remain a standing item.

Donna Guiney

11.4 Wellness Fair: Date of the Fair is September 19, 2015. There will be a short meeting of the committee following the general meeting

Marie Pemeberton

12. Standing Committees

12.1 Spiritual Development: With the assistance of Roger and Carol Daigle the parish is launching Project Homeland again this year. We are collecting Wet Ones, gum, hard candy, toothpaste, toothbrushes, current paperbacks, pens, stamps etc. Details are in the parish bulletin. Last date to donate is **March 8**. We hope to provide 40 boxes to Canadian soldiers abroad who are based out of CFB Kingston. Donna asked that the secretary forward the agenda for the next meeting or copies of the unapproved minutes to Committee Chairs so that they can attend meetings with their reports.

Donna Guiney

12.2. Organization- Information re the Archdiocesan convention, May 2-3, 2015 was distributed. Those who wish to attend need to contact Bernadette Veitch or bring their registration form etc. to the March 10, 2015 meeting. It was suggested that the "One Voice, One Heart, One Mission" poster be posted at the entrance to the Church. The poster outlines National's thoughts on the theme...

Bernadette Veitch

12.3 Community Life: Due to problems with her printer Jane's report was unavailable.

Jane Burke

12.4 Education: Council members were asked for suggestion for the school newsletter. Some suggestions given were information on the proposed Day of

Eleanor Wagar



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Adoration, our calendar of events, National's theme etc.

12.5 Health: Aaron Bailey was asked to be the keynote speaker at our May Pot Luck. Aaron will speak on ADD and will provide strategies for coping.

Marie Pemberton

12.6 Communication:

Carol Daigle

National has launched the CWL Forum similar to Facebook. Members can ask questions, provide suggestions, and chat. The forum can be accessed at forum.cwl.ca; the Ontario Provincial Council is requesting the Kingston Diocese to submit articles to their on-line magazine to be featured in their February issue. Articles should not exceed 100 words and a photo would be ideal. Pornography Hurts is still on-going and we are urged to continue to send postcards to the Federal Government. Postcards can be found at the back of the Church. The latest issue of The Canadian League came with a prayer card with an assigned name. We are encouraged to pray for our new found companion in prayer. We have been encouraged by our national Spiritual Advisor to pray the rosary for peace. This would be in keeping with our national theme of One Heart, One Voice, One Mission. National attended D-Day Remembrance Ceremonies in Normandy on June 6, 2014. The League now has a brick in one of the pillars where the Canadian museum Juno Beach Centre stands.

12.7 Resolutions and Legislation: No report as Chair is away.

Danna Dobson

13.. New Business:

13.1 Correspondence: A thank you note for a Birthday Mass, along with membership renewal dues and a 25.00 donation was received from Margaret Ryvola.

Carol Daigle

13.2 Snowflake Bazaar Crafts: Members will be meeting, commencing Tuesday Feb. 24th in the parish hall for three sessions. A sign -up sheet was passed around for those interested.

Theresa Shanks

14. Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

15. Closing Prayer: Prayer for our Partner Council – St. Denis , Athens

Next Meeting : Mar. 10/15;