



MINUTES

CWL General Meeting

May 10th 2022

Blessed Sacrament Parish, Amherstview, Ontario

The Catholic Women's League of Canada calls its members to grow in faith, and to witness to the love of God through ministry and service.

Attendance: by Zoom (1): Suzanne MacDonald : **Attendance in Church:** Kelly Neville, Margaret Barker, Mary Lou Hills, Liz Guiney, Donna Guiney, Danna Dobson, Margaret Wilson, Anne Nicholls, Gail Raymond, Cathy Splinter, Noreen D'eon, Sue Aubin, Bernadette Veitch, Giselle Van Putten, Gail Northcott, Margaret Beneteau, Theresa Shanks, Carol Daigle,

A Quorum WAS achieved at this meeting. Meeting was held in the Church.

Order of Business for the night: Crowning of the Blessed Mother ; Liz Guiney with Anne Nicholls and Mary Lou Hills singing 2 verses of "Hail Queen of Mary".

Mass Intention was : Palliative Care. Father Shea 's homily centered on how the Catholic Women's League espouses our national theme of "Catholic and Living It".

Awarding of service pins: (Margaret Barker): Kelly Neville: President's pin. Donna Guiney: Past President's Pin; Noreen D'eon: 35 years; Bernadette Veitch: 40 year pin ; Carol Daigle: 30 year pin; Mary Lou Hills: 25 year pin; Theresa Shanks: 25 year pin; Marie Minifie : 25 year pin (will be delivered) Gail Northcott: 20 year pin; Danna Dobson 10/15 year pins. Teresa Horner : 15 year pin (to be delivered); Andrea Glover: 10 year pin (to be delivered) Margaret Barker: 5 year pin; Barbara Larmondin: 5 year pin (to be delivered)

Maple Leaf Service Pins: (Kelly Neville) Donna Guiney, Mary Lou Hills

Executive Reports

1. Welcome and call meeting to order (Kelly Neville)

Kelly called the meeting to order at 8:05pm

2. Opening Prayer: Prayer to Our Lady of Good Counsel

Led by Liz Guiney

3. Approval of Agenda (Kelly Neville)

MOVED by Liz Guiney to approve the agenda of the general meeting May 10th, 2022 ammended with the addition, under Old Business, Parish Prayer books and Diocesan 10 year History books. **Seconded** by Donna Guiney

CARRIED

4. Approval of Minutes (Kelly Neville)

MOVED by Gail Raymond to approve the minutes of the general meeting March 8, 2022, with the following item to be amended: Patti Ann Whalen celebrated 60th birthday. **Seconded** by Noreen D'eon. **CARRIED.**

5. Treasurer's Report: (Danna Dobson)

Bank balance: \$3,027.74

6. Past President's Report: (Donna Guiney)

- Donna reported on the Prayer Group : prayers out for typing and editing.

7. President's Report: (Kelly Neville)

- Will report on Diocesan History book under Old Business

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Standing Committee Reports:

Communications: (Margaret Wilson)

- Reported on National Chairperson of Communications Betty Coloneri's Communique from April stating **56th World Communications Day will be May 29th , 2022.**
- This year Pope Francis asks the world of communication to do something using only one word--- *Listen!*
- His invitation is to rediscover listening as an essential condition for the good of communication. Let us make it a regular part of our dialogue "I'm listening".

8. Old Business:

- **Instructed Vote: (Mary Lou Hills)** Results at Diocesan Conventin: Per Capita Fee – no majority; Change in Patroness: defeated. Concerning Annual meeting : no majority; Amendments to executive positions, votes #'s 3-8 passed.
- **Donations : (Mary Lou Hills)**

Donation to Poland for the use to aid Ukrainian Refugees : This was a Diocesan Council initiative to celebrate their 100th anniversary. Amount donated was \$6, 787 . The Diocesan Council received \$1, 517.20 re parish contributions for the Hope Fund. There was only 1 submission by a parish council for assistance through the fund. Blessed Sacrament received the proceeds from the Hope Fund
- **Fundscrip: (Danna Dobson)**
Nothing to report
- **No Bake, Bake Sale(Mary Lou Hills)**

In consultation with Father Shea it was decided to defer this matter and not proceed as planned in June. Father felt, and it was agreed, that parishioners have had to contribute to several initiatives this year which included contributions to St. Vincent DePaul, The Ukraine (etc.)
- **Diocesan Council 10 year History Book: (Kelly Neville)**

Kelly took the initiative and purchased 5 History books, 3 of which have been paid for and picked up. Kelly still has 2 books available at the cost of \$10.00 each. Members can contact her to purchase if interested.

9. New Business: (Mary Lou Hills)

The Kingston Diocesan Council has gifted each member of The Catholic Women's League of Canada, who reside in the Kingston Diocese, a prayer book, celebrating their 100 years as a Diocesan Council. We were given 58. A generous CWL member, in the diocese, donated the cost of printing.

Closing Prayer and Adjournment

Liz Guiney led us in a Prayer for the Protection of Human Life. Gail Raymond moved that we adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30

- **Dates to note:**
 - o **National March for Life 2022 – Thursday, May 12, 2022**
 - o **International Family Day – May 15, 2022**
 - o **World Meeting of Families – June 22-26, 2022**
 - o **Grandparents Day- Sunday, September 11, 2022**
 - o **Life Chain- Sunday, October 2, 2022**

Meetings 2022: June 14, September 13, October 11, November 8, December 13