

## Minutes of FFGM Board Meeting February 4, 2019

**Present:** Gary Drescher, Rosie Haas, Mary Hauser, Dave Kalan, Dorothy Krupa, Ann Line, Doris Mueller, Nancy Mitchell, and Bob Mitchell **Excused:** Bob Blazich, Louise Cieslak, Joe Geck, Dale Harmelink, Sara Harmelink, Donna Baldwin-Haut, Dorothy Kelly, Ed Kelly, Sue Pack, and Chris Vogel

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by President Ann Line.

**Minutes: Motion** was made by Mary Hauser and duly seconded to accept the December 3, 2018 minutes as emailed. Motion carried unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Assistant treasurer Dorothy Krupa reported: General Checking Account: \$12,933.57, Restricted Account: \$6,326.47, Exchange Account: \$5448.37, Wellington Fund: {book \$10,000} MKT: \$11,932.48. **Motion** was made by Mary Hauser and duly seconded to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried unanimously.

**Budget for 2019:** Assistant Treasurer Dorothy Krupa led the 2019 budget discussion. Doris Mueller requested additional Website funds for Group Email updates. It was agreed that \$100.00 be added to the Website 2019 budget for a total of \$200. The Rumsfeld Income of \$1448.76 is to be added to the 2018 Actual Income. **Motion** was made by Doris Mueller and duly seconded to approve the 2019 Budget as edited. Motion carried unanimously.

Dorothy indicated that in 2020 the FFI dues will go up to \$20 from \$15 per member. We may want to consider raising FFGM's 2020 dues to cover this.

**Membership:** Rosie Haas for Sara Harmelink

2018 Membership: 112- 58 singles- 27 families

2018 Non-renewals: 15

2019 Membership: 101 members with 53 singles and 24 families

2019 New Members: 11- 7 singles- 2 families

2019 Non renewals: 22 – 8 of them have indicated they plan to renew

Rosie is working on the 2019 directory and hopes to have it complete by the March 5<sup>th</sup> at 5. She brought extra FF brochures for board members to take.

**President' Report:** Ann Line

● Bley memorial donations to be allocated per family suggestion for the good of FFGM. After discussion on how best to use these funds, it was decided to table the discussion .

● 5th at 5 coordinator is Barbara Geck. May, July, Sept, Oct and November are still open.

● Baton Rouge is interested in a 2019 or 2020 inbound or outbound. We have expressed interest in a 2020 outbound. It was suggested to see if they are interested in an inbound in October 2019. Ann will check with them before their Feb 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

● Insurance Report: FFI has a \$1M policy with a \$2M umbrella for general liability. We can obtain a certificate of coverage for an event held at a commercial venue. Most clubs do not have their own insurance policy.

● Neighboring FF Club Joint Activity: Dave said North IL has an International Dinner and will check with Pat Meyer if our club could attend as a joint activity.

● Strategic Goals Review: The Leadership committee has discussed organizing this planning meeting. They are looking into bringing in someone to lead it. They will report on suggestions at the April Board meeting.

● Business Cards: Some clubs have a generic business card. One has an area for members to write in their name. A **Motion** was made by Doris Mueller and duly seconded to purchase 500 FFGM business cards for members to use. Motion carried. Nancy Mitchell will order these.

**Journey Reports:**

- April 6-12-19 Outbound- Tallahassee, Fl.- Co ACs Nancy Mitchell, Rosie Haas. At this time we have 13 ambassadors – 12 from FFGM and one from FF W. Michigan.
- June 7-15, 2019 Open World – Bob Blazich and committee have met and are working on details.
- July 17-23-2019 English Language Inbound {Japan} ESL facilitator- Dave Kalan; Gary Drescher, Joe Geck Co-HCs. At this time 14 (2 couples & 12 women) are attending representing 2 clubs in Japan. They will spend the first 7 days with FF North IL. Home hosts are needed.
- September 4-11-2019- Montreal Outbound- Dorothy Kelly AC. 20 are registered and 17 are going on the extension to Quebec City. 6 are on the Waitlist.

**Committee Reports:**

- Book club- March 7,2019 at Mitchell's.
- Activities- February 2,2019- Chinese cooking demo at HUI had 12 attendees
  - Feb 20 – Jewish Museum: 1:30 Workshop on Jewish holidays plus docent-led tour
  - March 2 – Celtic Nights, 13 participating
  - March 18 – Lunch at Damascus Gate - \$18
  - May 19 – Spring Fling Brunch at Fox & Hounds - \$16 +tip
  - July 19 – Club picnic at Thiensville City Park
- Fundraising- Donna Baldwin-Haut, Ed Kelly- no report
- Leadership- Dave Kalan- Waiting to set date for the 2020 Leadership Exchange in Milwaukee until after journey assignments are made. Our Legacy/Annual donation for 2019 & 2020 will cover costs. A Journey Coordinator Training for newer FFGM members will be planned. The fee for the World Conference will be paid for 3 members (Bob & Nancy Mitchell plus another) out of the Leadership budget. (Ann Line will also attend as FFGM president.)
- Community Outreach- Sue Pack- No Report
- Public Relations: Chris Vogel – No report

**Vice-President-**Nancy & Bob Mitchell – no report

**Communications/Website/Newsletter-**Doris Mueller-Doris is looking at purchasing G-Suite (\$60/year) so she can send emails to more than 100 recipients - up to 2000. Carol DeRoche is willing to help with the newsletter and Jack Bridich may help with the website.

**Next Newsletter Deadline: Feb. 15, 2019**

- Calendar 2019 - March 5<sup>th</sup> at 5 at Camille Faherty
- April 6-12 Outbound Tallahassee, Fl.
- July 17-23 Inbound ESL Japan
- July 23-25 FF World Conference, Boulder, CO
- September 4-11 Outbound Montreal
- Calendar 2020 TBD Santa Barbara- Inbound; TBD FFI International assignments for Inbound and Outbound.

**Next Board Meeting:** Monday, April 1, 2019 6:30 pm-8pm, St. Matthew's.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Rosie Haas for Louise Cieslak