Cleveland NPM Board Meeting
May 9, 2018
1:00 pm

Members in attendance: Lynn Frey, Bob Soeder, Ruth Novak, Mary Hrich, Aga Bieniek, Dan Bergen, Herb Dillahunt, Charlene McElwee, Bridget Jankowski

The meeting opened with prayer at 1:03 pm.

Herb reported that all vacant board seats have been filled as follows:

Lori Geyer will move to fill the hospitality position
Charlene McElwee will become co-coordinator of planning with Aga

Herb gave an overview of the brown bag lunches. 4 of the 6 were successful (the meeting in Akron and in Wooster had no attendance). Four more will be scheduled in August:

Aga will host for the upper east side
Wally will be contacted to host in Twinsburg
Charlene will host downtown
Holy Martyrs in Medina will be contacted about hosting in that area

Treasurers report (Ruth)

A written report will be archived as an attachment to the next email communication for those interested in details. The current balance is in the checking account is $817.30. There is a balance of $18.03 in the PayPal account. This total takes into account an upgrade to our Constant Contact account which reached the next level of database capacity. This is largely in part because of including the AGO contacts. The board agreed it was worth the extra money (approximately $20 a month) to keep in contact with them. Mary reported that by gauging from the number of “opens” by those members they are definitely reading about what we are offering.

Elections

Ruth’s term as treasurer is up and we will have an election of three people who have agreed to run for this office: Jon Thibo, Rob Schnieder, and Anthony Trifiletti. Bridget will create a google form for voting, Herb will compile photos and bios and voting will be by email. Ruth and Bridget will tabulate the votes.

Dues

Bob Soeder, Herb Dillahunt and the newly elected treasurer will form a dues committee to determine the structure of chapter dues including how to charge and track membership.

Prayer Concerns
All agreed that this is working well and should continue as is.

Programs

The following four programs for next year were decided:

Kick-off-the-year dinner and Body Mapping presentation will be held in September. To be held in a centrally located place. Aga and Charlene will coordinate this.

St. Cecilia Sing will be held in November
Lynn Frey will host this at St. Sebastian
Committee: Lynn Fry, Charlene McElwee, Mary Hrich

Retreat will be scheduled over Martin Luther King Day (Sunday overnight into Monday)
Herb has a contact in Pittsburgh to lead the retreat.

Children’s choir festival or event to be held in the spring.
Committee (pending confirmation): Bridget Jankowski, Angi Bak and Meg Matuska
An interest inquiry will be included in the next Constant Contact communication to the membership.

Web Hosting

Herb and Dan will take a fresh look at our website situation this summer and may make a recommendation to a more user-friendly web host.

New Business

Bridget will be the administrator of the Facebook page. She will look into updating the name of the page to be the same as our website (Cleveland NPM), update photos and generate some initial activity.

It was suggested that we seriously consider partnering with the AGO for some programming.
The pros and cons were discussed and the idea will be considered as appropriate in the future.
We will continue to include AGO members in the mailings.

The meeting concluded with prayer at 2:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted
Bridget Jankowski, Secretary