

Minutes

Cleveland NPM – Board Meeting

August 16, 2018

Members in attendance: Lori Geyer, Bob Soeder, Jon Thibo, Mary Hrich, Aga Bieniek, Angela Kovacs, Herb Dillahunt, Charlene McElwee, Bridget Jankowski

The meeting opened with prayer at 1:05 pm

The minutes from the May 9th meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer Jon Thibo reported that the amount in the treasury was unchanged at \$817.30. There is a balance in the Paypal account of \$103.59. The registration for the upcoming September event was briefly discussed. Lori needs a list of attendees to create nametags. Dan sends her a list from website registrants, Jon sends the ones that come via mail.

Brown Bag Lunches – Herb reported that the lunches had attendance ranging from three to seven people and felt that there was always lively discussion and they were very worthwhile. The next set will be in February 2019, Mary Hrich agreed to host in Lake County, Jeanne Marie Miles will host downtown. Hosts are being sought for Summit County, Stronsville/N Royalton, and Lorain County.

Facebook – Bridget reported that the likes and interest in the page is trickling in but feels it will grow and get stronger as we continue.

Robert Feduccia Workshop – Bob Soeder reported that Robert Feduccia will be presenting three evenings for liturgical ministers within the Diocese in October and the host churches are seeking sponsors. A discussion followed as to whether this is something NPM Cleveland would want to sponsor. The cost for sponsorship is \$150 and the publicity for our organization would be widespread. It is also an event which would have great benefit for our members. However, since we are still unsure about our income stream and our other financial obligations it was decided that we shouldn't spend the money at this time.

Dues – Herb reported that we are waiting for a response from Fr. Oleksiak regarding our dues proposal. We may need a plan B. Discussion of collecting dues from members followed with most agreeing that some kind of individual membership would be the best alternative. No decision was made.

Prayer Concerns – Angela reported that she would like more participation in the number of people who send prayer requests. Bridget suggested that something related to the prayer requests could be added to the facebook page. Otherwise, it is going well.

2018-2019 Programs:

Body Mapping - September 24th – all is set for a wonderful evening at Resurrection. Registrations are beginning to arrive.

St. Cecilia Sing – November 18th - Funding \$500 for the brass quartet was discussed. The Office of Worship committed \$200 and St. Sebastian will cover \$100. Jon and Herb each agreed to have their churches donate \$100 to cover the total. Deadline to register is October 1st. Timely RSVP's are required so that the event can be cancelled if there is not enough participation.

Pastoral Musicians Retreat – January 21st from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm (no overnight). Herb checked out facilities and the retreat house in Parma seems to be the best location. He has secured Kathy Ray as the director. Her cost will be \$250. The retreat house is asking \$45 per participant and will include a continental breakfast and lunch, but Herb is going to try to negotiate that as it seems high.

Children's Choir Festival – March 16th. Meg Matuska, Angi Bak and Bridget Jankowski are working out the details. Mark Doerries from the Notre Dame Children's Choir Program will be the clinician. It will be an all-day event culminating with 4:30 Mass at the Cathedral. It was agreed that a \$15 per child fee with a \$30 max per family would be a reasonable fee and would cover our expenses.

New Business:

Herb brought up the idea of a video library to have as a resource for our chapter. It was discussed at brown-bag lunches and received a very mixed reaction. We will continue to discuss it, perhaps via facebook.

Next meeting will be a board dinner after our January 21st retreat.

The meeting closed with prayer at 2:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Bridget Jankowski, Secretary