

Friendship Force CR-IC Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 25, 2020

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Members present via zoom were John Miner, Judy Miner, Mary Stull, Mary Nelson, Larry Nelson, Shirley Rosencrans, Joanne Smith, Connie Williams, Ester Hudson, Darlene Peterson

1. Welcome and review agenda Mary Ann Nelson
2. Secretaries Report – Joanne Smith moved to approve, Carol Burke seconded
Motion carried
3. Treasure's Report – General Balance is \$9,409.85. Dues for next year -
Members pay \$20 only for FFI
4. President's report – Mary Ann & Larry

Reviewed Mission Statement as it should guide our decisions

*Our **mission** is to promote **global** understanding across the barriers that separate people. Each individual can make a contribution to **global** goodwill. The **Friendship Force** worldwide network of clubs and individuals seeks to overcome differences among people and nations.*

Board members reported on phone calls made to stay in contact with members

To continue with our strategic planning, Jerry will contact Jim Steggall after the first of the year to review the plan.

Mary urged all to watch Jeremi Snook's video, *A Stronger Way Forward*, on Friendship Force International Webpage and sign up for Q & A - Dec 1 Or 2.

Jeremi discusses the new portal: The new member portal will be a key tool that will link the activities of each member together and will provide connection to other members. The initial rollout will be underwhelming, but will continuously improve and strengthen as data is input. The tool will also provide for more secure financial transactions. The tool is currently being tested and is scheduled to be rolled out to the Board next week. Next, FFI is looking for clubs who are willing to test it and provide feedback. Final rollout to the membership is not scheduled yet.

Jerry moved to volunteer our club to trial test the new portal since FFI is looking for clubs. Judy seconded. Motion carried.

5. President Elect – Jerry
 - A. Nominations are complete and will plan to Bios for the January newsletter
 - B. By laws update will be voted on at Annual meeting.
6. Committee Reports

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- A. Membership – Carol – 31 have paid so far with deciding not to
To whom are we giving scholarships? Suggest a \$250 donation to Mathew 25 and see if anyone from that group would like a membership. Club members may also donate
- B. Activities – Committee
 - 1. Trivia Night – Darlene and Marty- December 16, 7:00
 - 2. Holiday Cheers zoom Wednesday December 30th from 4-6 PM
- 7. Journeys –
 - 1. Connie: No changes from previous newsletter
 - 2. FFI –From Field Rep. Dale M: *Britton shared the Open Worlds are now focused on virtual reunions with past delegations. The 2020 grant has been extended to 2021. They would like to start in person Open World's again in the 3rd quarter of 2021, but this may not be practical.*
- 8. Adjourn