

Friendship Force CR-IC Board Minutes

June 17, 2022

Via Zoom 8:30 AM

1. Welcome and review agenda.
2. Mary moved and Patty seconded to approve the May minutes. Motion carried.
3. Jerry moved and Judy seconded to accept the treasurers report. Motion carried.
4. Committee Reports:
 - A. Membership – Carol
 - Noted that since its midyear the membership fees are half price at \$20
 - 69 members and 4 potential new members
 - B. Activities Committee – Shirley
 - General Meeting and Potluck at Jones County Central Park went very well
 - July LEO at Kula's Bar and Grill in Walker on Wednesday, July 20th at 5pm
 - C. Journeys – Judy
 - Lima, Peru Inbound August 16th –23rd. 12 Ambassadors. In need of about 5 Day Hosts. State Fair trip sign-up details will be in the July Newsletter. Bus can take up to 56 people. \$25 per person to ride the bus.
 - Dallas outbound September 21st – 26th. Mary Stull, Host Coordinator, is in the process of Host matching for the 13 Ambassadors.
 - Sarasota inbound October 16th-21st. Larry Nelson, Host Coordinator. More information needed on details of this journey.
 - Outbound to Australia and New Zealand in February or March 2023. Judy has had contact with them.
 - Inbound from Edmondton, Canada in 2023. No match or contacts made as of yet.
 - Inbound from Taipei, Taiwan in October 2023.
 - Connie reported no updates on the Open World program to arrive in Cedar Rapids from December 9th to 17th.
 - Discussed COVID protocol for the Peru Inbound. Possible required testing and maybe masking.
 - D. Communications – Mary
 - The website has been updated with summaries from the Albuquerque and Orange City Trips as well as upcoming dates have been added to the calendar of events.
 - Photos from the June 12th General Meeting are now on Facebook.
 - Mary will add a "save the date" notice on Facebook for the State Fair Trip.
 - The Friendship membership form on the website is working and Carol has received one to follow up on.
 - Mary gave an update on the Afghan Family Sponsorship program. Friendship Cedar Rapids Sponsor Circle has been accepted into the Afghan sponsor circle program. We are still waiting to be matched with an Afghan family. At the time we are matched, we will be reaching out for help in getting them settled in.
5. Old Business:
 - All Iowa picnic is on Saturday, June 25th from 11am to 3pm at Duck Creek Park in Davenport, IA. Cost is \$16 per person.
 - Patty reported that all volunteer slots for the Freedom Festival are full.
6. New Business:
 - Annual meeting will be in October
7. Adjourn
8. Next Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 20th at 4:30PM prior to the LEO. August meeting tentatively set for Friday, August 26th at 8:30AM.