

Des Moines Women's Club

Board Meeting April 28, 2021 via Zoom

Meeting called to order by President Pat Henson

Roll Call: Present: Pat Henson, Chis Foss, Joyce Perkins, Wendy Prigge, Kathy Crall, Michelle Clark, Sheila Sapienza, Sheila Bingaman, Mary Ellen Imlau, Karen Sievers, Pam Deeds, Marti Puff, Toni Van Cleve, Joann McCracken Young
Excused: Carol Corrigan

Approval of April 14, 2021 minutes

The minutes were approved with some changes.

- Mission Statement did not get voted on during the April 14, 2021 meeting. In the March Board meeting, the concern about the by-laws and the slight change of wording was discussed. The By-Law Committee studied the new Mission Statement of the Des Moines Women's Club and determined that it passed muster, and sent it back to the Board to be ratified. The new Des Moines Women's Club Mission Statement was ratified with Karen Sievers making the motion and Michelle Clark seconding that motion. Motion passed approving this statement:
DMWC exists to enrich members with friendship, help preserve Hoyt Sherman Place, and support the arts and education in the community.
- Sheila Bingaman stated that our "bookkeeping" was being moved to David Jacobson, Club's accounting firm. Minutes had said "accounting" was being moved.

Jean Shires moved to approve the minutes the April 14th Board meeting with changes made and Kathy Crall seconded the motion to approve. Motion passed.

Reservations for May 5th program and lunches

Over 46 persons have responded so far that they will be attending the May 5th meeting and program. Orders for lunches were discussed. Suggestions were made about keeping track of how the payment for the lunches would be kept and who ordered lunches. There will be a full membership list with names to be checked off for those buying a lunch. Eileen Boggess, Club Coordinator, will work with Pat Henson to finalize the use of tickets and the particulars of getting the lunches distributed.

Kathy Crall Membership VP Report

Kathy shared that the calling team worked well, visiting with past members and those who had not renewed their membership this year. The response was very positive with four to six persons wanting to rejoin this coming year – 2021-22. Discussion was made around if the persons who wanted to renew could pay on May 5th when they attended the program and meeting. It would be better not to take membership money at that event.

Program Booklet for May 5th Meeting, Memorial and Program

A discussion around whether to reprint the program with some changes led to a discussion about the heading of the time period listed for those persons who were being memorialized. It was resolved to be left as printed: May 2019 through May 2021. It was also suggested by Jean Shires that Kathy explain that last year we couldn't have the memorial program and that is why all these years are included.

Reports or Written Summaries of each committee's

At the May 5th meeting those who will give a short talk about their committee work are:

Joann McCracken Young, Kathy Crall, Wendy Prigge, and Joyce Perkins

Those who will hand out a hard copy report are:

Michelle Clark, Treasurer Report Chris Foss, Strategic Planning Committee Report

Discussion on E Blast Problems

Some are still not receiving the weekly email blast. Lorna Truck is working with Eileen to get this cleared up to correct the problem.

Wording Change from the Handbook for the Installation part of the program

A small change is being made to the introduction for the Installation of Officers during the program May 5th. It will differ slightly from the statement in the Handbook as election has been held.

Set up of Stage and Seating for May 5th Meeting and Program

On the Stage: Kathy Crall, Chris Foss, Pat Henson, Toni Van Cleve

In the first and second rows of seats on the floor: Current and New Board Members Being Installed.

Podium and mics will be provided on both stage and floor in front of stage. The screen will be used during the Memorial program.

Discussion About New Mission Statement

It was noted that simple wording changes do not have to be voted on by the members of the Club. The Board is the entity that can make simple changes without a membership vote. If it was a large change to the verbiage and meaning of the Mission Statement, a membership vote would be needed. It was suggested by Michelle Clark that Chris Foss, when giving her report, share positively with the members about the thought, discussion and time spent on making the decision to make the simple wording changes.

Outline of May 5th Gathering

I Business Meeting

II Installation of Officers

III Memorial

IV Dueling Fiddles

Motion to adjourn – Motion was seconded. **Meeting was Adjourned**

Recorded and submitted by

Pam Deeds, Board Member