

Board Meeting Minutes Friendship Force Central North Carolina May 11, 2020 via ZOOM

Council Chair Ann Barefield called the 10:00 o'clock meeting to order, reporting that Karla and Laura Coker had personal conflicts and that Woody was participating by phone.

MINUTES OF 4/13/20 zoom Meeting were amended to show the Wells-Fargo Checking account to be \$2672.06 then approved after a motion by Ray , 2nded by Mary.

TREASURER: Laura Graham reported \$5339.08 in the W-Fargo checking, from which \$3,000 sent to FFI will soon be withdrawn. The W-S Foundation balance is now \$13,769. The report was unquestioned.

MEMBERSHIP: Mary reported that Christa Douthit had paid \$30. Renewal membership, making our total membership at 66.

JOURNEYS; Charles said that trips are still on hold. He proposed that the goal of FFI is to promote friendship and understanding between clubs and that this goal might well be facilitated through inter club Zoom meeting. After much discussion about which club to explore this, Sydney or Oklahoma, it seemed to be that Ann and Charles are to check this out with the Oklahoma Club. The majority seemed reluctant to host Oklahoma Club in October. Woody thought we should wait until July to further discuss. A motion was passed to pursue the former – virtual with Oklahoma Club. Ray thought he would join an International Visitor Program to learn its operations. Barbara North and Ray were to collaborate in the Oklahoma Club exploration of virtual visiting.

COMMUNICATIONS; Ray is planning to send a newsletter to the membership and including our Council minutes was suggested. Ann suggested that Mary divide the membership among Council for phone contact. Laura Graham was to check with Jeremi at FFI about a letter of contribution acknowledgement to include in a newsletter. Ray spoke about the possible outbound trip to Chile and shared his very positive impression from his cruise visit in past years.

Laura Graham introduced a letter from Anne Garvey of W-S Foundation about setting up a 'grantable' fund account into which the quarterly distribution from the "Endowment" account would be transferred. It was thought that this would make it easier to withdraw funds when needed. A motion was made to do this and it was seconded by Ray. Because of one negative vote by Woody, the motion was withdrawn allowing further study until the succeeding meeting. No objection was made to this.

WEB SITE; Ray is to check with Barbara North on its status and will report in June.

No mention of the By Laws report was made.

A motion to adjourn was passed without objection with the next meeting to be 6/8/20.

Expediently,
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