

FFCNC Board Meeting July 11, 2022

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Subject: Friendship Force Meeting of the Board July 11,2022

The Board began its meeting at 10: a.m. with President Ray inviting personal updates from board members who were all present.

Minutes and Treasurer's report were voted approved.

Mary said membership now totaled 53 as former members Elaine Brune and Robert Bardsley rejoined. Elaine sent \$25. To FFI and declined to complete a new member application. Since we are in the second half of the year it was decided not to press conformity. Ray said that they were personal friends and was glad they have resumed membership .

Ralph, having found picnic supplies, etc. in his attic suggested we consolidate other items held by members. Ray said he had the projector and amplifier and Woody keeps the two banners.

The "Bee-ing" at the Cauthen's was acclaimed a success, Charles having won the cake tasting contest receiving the prize of a container of honey furnished by beekeeper Ralph. 22 attended the joyful event. Ray said that the small group dinner at his home was a pleasure and promised to encourage members to sign up with Lucy.

Charles said that Judy Greene is continuing pursuit of the journey to Lethbridge, Ontario, near Calgary, Canada. Sandra Gramley is her assistant. Ray said that Judy was having cataract surgery this day, Another Outbound Journey planned for 2023, is still being negotiated for Nepal but no Journey Coordinator has been chosen. Ray told of his contacts who have spent time there. These are Paul Marks and Linda and Marvin Sherrill. It seemed that there was interest from members in making the journey,

The Alex State Department sponsored visit of students from Moldova was further reviewed by Ralph who had sent to members a very thorough review of it and its status. It is scheduled for November 12-20, 2022. Collaborating as a member of the Committee is Martha Brown, who sent mail about the hosting needs, desiring to have the student hosted singly so as to allow greater development of their English language.

Eleanor was then asked to present her power-point about FF. It was well applauded by. Members of the Board for its highly professional use of photos and descriptions. She was well- praised by board members.

Among closing remarks, Ralph encouraged our contacting "Open World" to see what opportunities may be available for this additional program of the State Department. A vote of members affirmed this.

Adjournment was voted at 11:34 a.m.

Guardedly,

Woody