

5/5/2023 FFCNC meeting via zoom

Present: Marta, Lucy, Ray, Don, Roger, Sandra, Judy, Eleanor, Ralph, Mary

Absent: Jane, Woody

Minutes from prior meeting were approved.

Eleanor gave the membership report (complete report is at the end of the minutes): Ray and Eleanor are waiting to hear the time/location for their presentation to the Now What Organization. Donald requested an updated report from Eleanor. Ray suggested that Eleanor get thumb drives so she can share her reports; Don says that google has a new feature that allows you to email large reports. Eleanor and Marta will get together to confirm number of members. We don't yet know how to delete people who did not renew membership from the FFI list.

Communication report by Don: will send 2<sup>nd</sup> invitation for Kyrgyzstan welcome barbeque. There has been no other news, hence no recent newsletter. Don has capabilities to update our spreadsheet. Susan Teague continues to update our website. Don and Eleanor are working together on the mailing list.

Marta gave the treasurer report (complete report is at the end of the minutes): Ray and Marta have not yet found a discrepancy of a shortage of \$113.00. Money will be sent to Lethbridge for the journey. Marta will start sending the treasure report to the entire board. Treasurer report was approved.

Lucy, social committee, says that plans for Open World and New Mexico welcome parties are moving along. She needs the number of people that will attend the OW welcome so she can confirm with the caterer. Lucy will send a "help wanted" for the social committee message to Don for the next newsletter. Don is handling rsvp for Kyrgyzstan welcome party.

Roger reports that there are 4 journeys. Open World is in May, New Mexico in June and Canada in August. Stokes are unable to be dinner hosts.

- Report on Nepal/India is attached
- Canada deposits have been made or are in the mail. Final payment is due June 16<sup>th</sup>; it will be helpful if this can be paid earlier. Judy and Sandra will be working on matching hosts and ambassadors.
- There was discussion about whether to subsidize the cost of the NM farewell dinner and invite everyone or for it to be more intimate and only include people involved with the journey. The NM planning committee will discuss at their next meeting. Ralph says he has all but one home host for NM.

Roger will give Don a flyer about other journeys (world conference, individual journeys etc). A survey for where we want to travel in 2024 will be emailed to members.

Open World report from Ralph. He has all the home hosts and training for them was yesterday. Now he is working on logistics of transportation. We are trying to find more interpreters for OW. (delegates speak Russian) Ray is working on the program; he has a meeting with Judge Vincent at 4pm. Don said he had talked to his future guest via WhatsApp. He will put information about the WhatsApp in the newsletter.

Next zoom board meetings:

June 9<sup>th</sup>; 12:30-1:30

July 7<sup>th</sup>; 12-1:30

FFCNC MEMBERSHIP REPORT: May 2023

Regular Members (dues paid)	56 members (4 new members)
Legacy Members	8 members
Total Membership	64 members

Orientation at the Kiszely's on Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>.

About 10 new and prospective members. Great presentations, enthusiastic visitors. Superb food. Three new members joined that day: Linda Kimrey, Alan Burke, Phyllis Sutphin.

Presentations about FFCNC:

Newcomers and Neighbors of Winston-Salem presentation on April 15. (Ray and Eleanor)

About 30 people attended.

One new member: Ty Fox.

Upcoming presentation for Sertoma, Winston-Salem, on Monday, May 8 (Ray)

Upcoming presentation for members of *Now What?* Wednesday, May 24, 2023 (Eleanor and Ray)

We'll continue to update the Power Point presentation with slides of new events. Anyone can use it for a presentation. Just let us know.

Membership Lists. Working with Don Woodward on consolidating/updating/verifying membership and distribution lists.

FFCNC BOARD MEETING

TREASURE REPORT

May 5, 2023

Account Balance Information

Wells Fargo ending balance on 4/30 = \$17,491.07

The checkbook ending balance on 4/30 = \$17,227.34. There are two outstanding checks in the amount of \$150 not included in the Wells Fargo statement ending balance, as well as the inherited debit of \$113.73.

Wells Fargo ending balance on 4/30 = \$17,491.07

Checkbook ending balance on 4/30 = \$17,227.34 + \$150 = \$17,377.34 + 113.73 = \$17,491.07

The Treasure Activity

- Deposit received from Open World for Kyrgyzstan Journey
- Supply payments for Kyrgyzstan Journey
- Payments for reservation of spaces for New Mexico Journey events
- Check received from New Mexico Club
- Deposits from FFCNC members for Lethbridge Journey
- Deposits for 2023 new membership
- Monthly recurrent payment to Ionos
- A new form for new membership deposit of dues
- A new form for FFCNC debit card holders

Presented to the board by Marta Rhodes, FFCNC Treasurer on May 5, 2023

Report from Martha, re: Nepal/India

The journey went extremely well. Four of us had missing luggage when we arrived at the Delhi airport. It caught up with us about 2 ½ days later. The only other mishap was a fall Marilyn experienced, but she bounced right back from that.

Saw lots of interesting things. India is very different from the US and European countries. There were some noticeable differences between India and Nepal.

We all made it home safely and as scheduled. Unfortunately, several of the ambassadors came down with covid after their return home. I'm guessing they brought home this new variant from India. There was a lot of coughing on our flight from Katmandu to Doha.

Terri Holsinger is working on creating a journal for the ambassadors much like the one she made us after the Russia journey.

I will finalize our expenses when the journal is complete, and I know how much the copies cost. Plus, we need to reimburse Danny & Charles for gas and parking at CLT airport. Also, a bit for me to cover our tip for the driver we had the entire week in Nepal. So that will be forthcoming but may still be a few weeks. Just want to let you know it has not been forgotten.