

Lutheran Women's Missionary League
Iowa East District Board of Directors Meeting
June 14, 2018 – 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: President Joan Berquist called the LWML IED Board of Directors meeting to order in a meeting room at the Marriott, Cedar Rapids at 7:00 pm.

OPENING DEVOTIONS: Sr. Pastoral Counselor David Lingard opened with prayer from Psalm 33. God has chosen us to be the instruments of Christ. We are to love and serve others, which is possible because He first loved us. We get to share Christ with the fallen world. The purpose of LWML is to reach out to others. Let us rejoice in all we do.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS: President Joan welcomed us to the pre-convention Board of Directors meeting of the 39th Biennial LWML IED Convention. Each attendee introduced themselves.

SPECIAL GUESTS: LWML Representative, President Patti Ross and Mission Speaker, Deaconess Grace Rao were in attendance.

BOD MINUTES FROM MAY 5, 2018: Minutes were accepted as printed.

MINUTES REVIEW FOR JUNE BOD MEETING: Helen Huedepohl and Judith Fink volunteered.

MINUTES REVIEW FOR 39TH BIENNIAL CONVENTION: Janell Wollschlager and Jeanette Kreutner volunteered.

APPOINTMENTS: Janell Wollschlager was appointed as meeting parliamentarian.

REPORTS:

TREASURER: Gretchen Rasmussen reported. Submitted report attached.

The beginning balance as of April 30, 2018 was \$28,029.53; income received was \$6,943.37; expenses were \$4,829.71; leaving a balance of \$30,143.19 as of June 2, 2018.

Gretchen made a motion to recommend to the convention body to set the Mission Grant Goal at \$97,000.00 for the 2018-2020 Biennium (at the recommendation of the Ex. Committee). Motion was carried.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY: Elizabeth Gehle reported. Full report submitted.

Society contributions for the 2018-2020 biennium as of June 2018, totaled \$15,450.95. We received \$5.00 from Thrivent Choice in June and have received no donations from Ready Set Recycle.

VP OF ORGANIZATIONAL RESOURCES: Janell Wollschlager reported. Full report submitted.

Rock-A-Thon: \$924 in pledges have been received as of June 4, 2018. \$500.00 will be matched by LCEF.

NEW BUSINESS:

Accept Convention Agenda: Gretchen Rasmussen made a motion to accept the convention agenda as printed in the convention manual on pages 23-26. Motion was seconded and carried.

Adopt Convention Rules: Helen Huedepohl made a motion to adopt the convention rules as printed on page 22 of the convention manual. Motion was seconded and carried.

Set Number of Mission Grant Votes: The Executive Committee made a recommendation to set the number of mission grants at eight (8) votes per voter. Recommendation carried.

Banquet Seating/Convention Seating: The table arrangement and table numbers were reviewed. Tables will be clearly marked Delegates, BOD, General Seating. Guests will be seated with the BOD. Banquet seating is open. If you are hosting a guest, please sit with your guest at the banquet and throughout the convention.

Designate Voting Member to make motion to Destroy Ballots: Sandi Duncan volunteered to make the motion on Saturday to destroy the ballots.

YWR/ Pins: We have nine (9) YWRs representing seven (7) zones. They will be meeting in the Iowa City room and be sitting with their zone president during the convention. The Zone Presidents elected to present the YWRs with their YWR pins. We will also present to the YWRs one of the new IED Convention Badges with the new LWML Logo.

Processional Order: Was reviewed. Becky Wehrspann and Marie McNary will help with the processional order.

Convention Script will be on the podium for each speaker to read. President Joan instructed us how to use the script. The Pastoral Counselor on stage will watch to make sure the correct page is in place at all times.

Tellers: Delegates should not be appointed tellers, as they can't handle the ballots before voting. Dori Stanek will act as ballot chair for both the Mission Grants and Election of Officers with the help of ten (10) tellers, who are not delegates, to distribute and collect ballots.. The delegate/tellers are able to help count the votes, so they will remain in place for that.

Mission Grant/Resolution Presentation: Cindy Kofoot will abbreviate the presentation to the name of the mission grant with the resolution in order to shorten the presentation time.

Host Committee Announcements/Questions: Angie Banko/Karen Lyons

Banner Placement for Stands: the floor will be marked with the name of your zone where the banners are to be placed. Delegates were asked to find the place their banner is marked before the processional, so you will know where to put it.

Exhibits need to be set up by 9:00 am Friday, when the Exhibit Hall opens.

Lunch: Box lunches will be available at 11:30 am Friday. Pick up your lunch and eat in the convention hall, not in the restaurant area.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Next BOD Meeting: August 18, 2018 at the LCMS IDE Office
Treats: Westgate and Williamsburg Zones

Transition Meeting: To be scheduled by new District President

2019 Mobile Convention Bus: There is a sign-up sheet in the Exhibit Hall on the PR table for you to sign to show you are interested to have the IED sponsor a bus to Mobile. Promote this with your societies and zones.

2019 Mobile Convention Shirts: Order forms are available on the PR table in the Exhibit Hall.

OTHER BUSINESS: Cindy Kofoot reported that their committee has met and have approved five (5) undergraduate students and one (1) deaconess to receive funding, with the provision that the grants are approved at convention.

Judy Westergren read the rules for nominating a candidate from the floor.

CLOSING PRAYER: Jr. Pastoral Counselor Randolph McHone closed with prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Diane Paulson, Recording Secretary

SUBMITTED REPORTS:

TREASURER: Gretchen Rasmussen

LWML Iowa East District financials as of June 2, 2018 are summarized below. The full financial report is available in the password-protected section of the LWML IED website.

Balance on hand as of 04/30/2018 \$28,029.53.

The LWML IED Joyful Response Steward Account balance at the Lutheran Church Extension Fund stood at **\$100.13** as of 04/30/2018 (most recent statement). There are **0** IED members currently enrolled in this electronic mite-giving program.

The proposed 2018-2020 biennium budget is posted in the password-protected section of our LWML IED website. It was revised following the May BOD meeting to remove the amount budgeted for electronic tallying during District Convention. No other changes or modifications have been requested.

As such, the LWML Iowa East District Board of Directors is asked to approve recommendation to the voting body at the District Convention the budget for the 2018-2020 biennium as follows:

Total Inreach	\$ 11,300.00
Total Outreach	<u>\$204,995.00*</u>
Total Biennium Budget	\$216,295.00

Total proposed 2018-2020 Biennium Mission Grant Amount: \$104,500.00*

**\$7,500 of this amount represents mites carried forward from prior biennium

FINANCIAL SECRETARY: Elizabeth Gehle

Society Contributions: 2018 – 2020 Biennium:

April	\$ 7,182.88
May	\$ 6,943.37
June	\$ 1,324.68
TOTAL	\$15,450.93

Thrivent Choice: June \$5.00

Rock-a-Thon Mites: \$360.00

VP OF ORGANIZATIONAL RESOURCES: Janell Wollschlager

As of June 4th, 2018, \$924 was raised in pledges for the Rock-a-Thon. \$500 will be matched by LCEF.

Two rocking chairs will be available to rock at convention..

There will be sheets on registration table for ladies to sign up to rock.

The winning Zone will have their name engraved on the IED Mighty Mites plaque donated by Janet Fischer.

We hope to make this a biennial award for mite fundraising before convention.

Worked on Bylaw power point presentation

Worked with Member Development on YWR events during convention.

HISTORIAN/ARCHIVIST: Luella Scott

Since the February meeting I have been collecting Zone Board and Rally minutes. Since some zones elected new secretaries, I lost continuity with former zone secretaries. Via Email, I contacted all zones which I had not received minutes and I may have 100% participation. THANK YOU!!

Westgate Zone is working updating their history and have asked for my help. I will type a list of our District presidents and the Zone they represented for them. As for their past Executive Board members, I informed them that there are Westgate files at the office that they may check.

My display for the Convention has been working in my mind and just in the past month has evolved to what I hope convention attendees will enjoy----a comparison of how we started and where we are today.

IED Board of Directors Meeting Attendance – June 14, 2018

Executive Board:

President	Joan Berquist
VP of Organizational Resources	Janell Wollschlager
VP of Christian Life	Vickie Ozburn
VP of Gospel Outreach	Cindy Kofoot
VP of Human Care	Jill Fraser
VP of Communication	Cheryl Killham
Recording Secretary	Diane Paulson
Treasurer	Gretchen Rasmussen
Financial Secretary	Elizabeth Gehle
Sr. Pastoral Counselor	Pastor David Lingard
Jr. Pastoral Counselor	Pastor Randolph McHone

Zone Presidents:

Benton Zone	Elaine Haren
Cedar Rapids Zone	Margaret Kistler
Clinton Zone	Alberta Martens
Davenport Zone	Kay Berry
Dubuque Zone	Jeanette Kreutner
Eldora Zone	Sharon Mulford-Henson
Marshalltown Zone	Sandi Duncan
Mt Pleasant Zone	DeEtta Rasmussen
St. Ansgar Zone	Diane Joens
Waterloo Zone	Judith Fink
Westgate Zone	Nancy Maurer
Williamsburg Zone	Helen Huedepohl

Appointed Officers/Committees

Archivist/Historian	Luella Scott
Newsletter Editor	Kendra Voss
Christian Life	Evonne Plagge
Christian Life	Martha Hartwig
Member Development, Chr.	LaVonne Hoversten
Member Development	Tammy McKay
LWR Coordinator	Dori Stanek
2018-19 Young Woman Rep.	Rachel Wegener
2018-19 Young Woman Rep.	Amanda Hahn
Heart to Heart Coordinator	Nancy McHone
Meeting Manager	Becky Wehrspann
2018 Convention Co-Chr.	Angie Banko
2018 Convention Co-Chr.	Karen Lyons
2018 Convention Advisor	Janice Johnston
2018 Convention Parliamentarian	Judy Westergren
2018 Nominating Com. Chr.(acting)	Marie McNary
2018 District Retreat Co. Chr.	Loretta Vogt

Guests

LWML President Patti Ross
Mission Speaker, Deaconess Grace Rao

