

OJSL GENERAL MEETING

Location: Zoom

Date: November 12, 2020

Time: Started at 7:06pm. Ended at 8:15pm.

Attendees: General Meeting

Motion by Carla Castrop to dispense with reading of the last meeting minutes. Pam Graessle seconded the motion. All in attendance voted yes.

President Report- Cristan Philipp announced:

Cristan announced that there will be no in person meetings with JCCC and all meetings will be conducted via zoom until further notice. We will wait until spring to see if that changes and we will still have our dates saved with them.

Vice President- Leesa Gabel reported via email-

As VP, I've opted to not participate in Leadership Olathe. We'll look at doing the Board Leadership series again offered by K-State Extension. Cristan will check into the low cost classes and let us know which ones are available. Thank you for re-signing up for Bell Ringing since we encountered a slight glitch on the sign up page the first time. Send any committee updates for the newsletter and let us know how you're still involved in the community despite Covid restrictions by the end of this month and they will come out by the beginning of December.

Secretary- Shobha Gardi- No report.

Treasurer- Patty Stadler announced:

October was a slow month. She filed the KS state reporting and a few small expenses here and there. Desiree George recommended transferring the \$2500 to the community trust now. Patty will be transferring the budget items now for this year.

Members at Large- Jessie Harris announced:

A card was sent out to Donna Miller since her dad passed away. Nancy Meuten has been released to go back to work starting the 16th and is doing well. Patty Birge will be moving next week. Kathy DeWolfe's dad passed away. Pam Graessle, Jane Jewett, Desiree George and Barb Jewell are also new grandparents.

Admissions- Sandy Keating: No report.

Community Needs- Ami Levin announced:

She contacted Olathe North and Olathe South regarding their eagle and falcon packs. Both schools are still in need of funds. Olathe North requested \$250 and Olathe South requested \$500-\$750. In the past, community needs would meet with all committee chairs to determine how much money to donate but that did not happen this year due to the pandemic. At the last meeting we voted to donate \$250 to each school. There was also a funding request from the I-Read program for \$2000 and that was above and beyond what we give to the Mayor Mike fund. Also, Cedar Lake Village/Good Samaritan was asking for \$1000 for new drapes. We will be looking into what was voted on regarding these donations.

Fundraising- Vickie Tillery announced:

We are still looking into Savers for the clothing donation drive for an option to raise some funds for OJSL. Susie Zimmerman is looking into this since she has done this in the past with her cancer team.

Hospitality- Teri Lane and Candy Koulback- No report.

January Coffees- Stacy Rezek announced:

There was a google doc form that was sent out to all the members to get an idea about what the interest was. 37 people filled out the form, 15 individuals would like virtual, 22 prefer in person, 11 have stepped up to do in person and 8 want to be virtual hosts. They are planning on doing 2 coffees on Sundays where people will be strategically meeting in small groups on either sides of town. The first coffee session will be on January 17th. There will be a sign up genius with dates that will be sent out in the upcoming newsletter. Stacy will inform the board if they need any further assistance.

Nominating- Karen Sanders- No report.

Parliamentarian- Desiree George- No report.

Placement- Carla Castrop & Ami Levin- No report.

Provisional- Robin Bailey announced:

December 14th they will be gathering to wrap gifts in the evening at Mission Southside that they have collected through different avenues. They have a checklist on what has been turned in already. The tags on the Christmas tree were not personal tags but general items needed by families. The new location is at 514 Kansas Ave. There was an Amazon list that's fairly current informing us what is still needed. The items will directly ship to Mission Southside if you order on Amazon. They can always use more people to come help wrap and take items outside to their vehicle if you are interested in helping. The times are listed on their website.

Social- Kathy Bock announced:

They will look into some zoom meeting that include some fun games and trivia after the holidays to get more member participation.

Sustainers-Nancy Meuten- No report.

Service Project Reports-

Bell Ringers- Susie Zimmerman announced:

All the slots are currently filled on the sign up genius. Masks will be required to work this event.

Cyclone Closet- Patty Stadler and Diana Moormeier announced:

Patty and Diana filled two orders since there are still no outsiders allowed to shop. There is an online order and paper form that families can fill out telling us what their needs are regarding size, etc. Anna Fischer created this google doc form for convenience. They have recently opened up donations again. Their greatest need at the moment is small kid coats and new underwear and socks. This service is open to all Olathe school district kids. There was a huge donation

of Bomba socks that was donated by the MUFFIN group to SFT. There is also a huge need for the kids at SOAR and TLC.

OJSL Crafters- Pam Graessle announced:

There are not having any in person meetings at the moment. Hospice House is still in need of compression pillows and blankets. Some of the committee members will be doing things on their own since the fabric is already purchased. Sue England does the majority of the sewing for this committee. There are several members that have expressed interest in helping out and that information will be included in the upcoming newsletter if they require assistance.

Starfish- Vickie Tillery announced:

There will be a get together this upcoming Monday in case anyone wants to help with this project. There are in dire need of grocery bags, T-shirts, toiletries, baby clothes, boy's apparel size 9-12 and winter coats. There is also a need for a translator and more helping hands are always welcome. They are located on 135th street right next to Big Lots.

Old Business- Mayor Mike Memorial contribution - Cristan Philipp announced:

We have been discussing how much monetary donations will be made either to the Reading or the Children's Fund. Majority of the board members voted for the Children's Fund. The Children's Fund benefits every organization that has to do with children such as OPSF, The Center of Grace, Children's Shoe Fund, Boys and Girls Club, Catholic Charities, the public library, Mission Southside, Johnson County Christmas Bureau, Salvation Army, KVC, YMCA and Starfish. Their goal is \$120,000 for this year. Their big fundraiser is the extravaganza that is currently going on. There was a 1st motion by Mary Cobb and seconded by Robin Bailey to do matching funds and a donation to Mayor Mike. Jessie Harris will be making a special card and a letter to the family stating that this is an extra memorial contribution from OJSL in memory of Mayor Mike and this is not just a regular donation to his fund. Members are encouraged to donate personally if they choose and OJSL will match up to \$500. We are looking into a pay pal service to make these donations easier on our website. The deadline for the donations will be Friday, December 11th. We are grateful that Mayor Mike recognized OJSL last spring.

New Business- Carla Castrop announced:

We did not receive the 30 orders that we needed for the OJSL masks but Carla is willing to print them in either white or blue and you can just contact her if you are wanting to purchase one. She will be making them in the next week.