

Faith In Action
Board Meeting Minutes for April 28th, 2022

Present: Jeremy Wahlstrom, Carol Johnson, Chris Snow, AJ Moosbrugger, Jim Burmiester, Lynn Knutson, Diane Krejci

Absent: Cyndi Reed, Rosalie Trom, Troy Stafford, Kelly Kelly

Guest speaker – Marlene Levine – Active Aging Programs – AmeriCorps Seniors - RSVP-Retired Senior Volunteer Program - connects people to volunteer opportunities within local communities. This program provides volunteers aged 55 + with training, on-going support, benefits & recognition. Volunteers enrolled in RSVP received – Mileage Reimbursement, Supplemental Insurance.

The Board tabled discussion to do research comparison with our Commercial Automotive policy with Stevenson's Insurance company vs this Supplemental Insurance.

Secretary Rpt: Reviewed/Approved

Treasurer Rpt: Reviewed/Approved

Coordinator Rpt: Reviewed/Approved

Old Business:

Dodge County Expo – Lynn & Jeremy reported that there was average attention to our booth. A few applications and many brochures were given out. It is a worthwhile activity to continue to be a part of the exposure in our communities. An FIA volunteer – Phyllis Purvis – was the winner of the HyVee gift card.

Church visits-Lynn is waiting for more information regarding an FIA presentation at Cedar Creek in Hayfield. The evening of July 10th is scheduled for a presentation at the Kasson Church of Christ's Cowboy Church. Anyone willing to represent FIA at either of these churches should contact Lynn.

Client Application changes – was tabled for next meeting

New Business:

Budget Comments – we will continue to concentrate on cash flow. Lynn shared a break down of key donations received this year and projections for 2022 budget which seems to be on target. Motion to accept-AJ, seconded-Carol – Motion passed. Our focus needs to be keeping hours on track for Cyndi, so she is able to meet FIA commitments and very importantly be able to attend to the needs of her family.

Fundraisers planned:

Berne Pizza – all seems to be in order

Dodger Days in Dodge Center – June 18th – Carol & Jeremy will coordinate. Carol has Thrivent funds to purchase ice cream. The Wagon Train will be passing through Dodge Center that day.

DC Lions will be providing a lunch. After some discussion, Jim suggested that FIA donate ice cream for dessert for the Wagon Train participants. All agreed that this is a good idea.

Festival in the Park – we will participate. Carol moved and AJ seconded a motion to have Diane submit an application of our participation in this event. Motion passed.

Marigold Days – we will also participate and serve ice cream.

Soup & Pie event - we look forward to serving in October

Election of Board Officers discussion – It was decided to have an election of officers in our May meeting (a change from the February date in our by-laws) May seems like a better month because of the number of people who travel in the winter. By-Laws will need to be updated.

Website update – Lynn shared that he discussed updating our website with a neighbor who is a web master. Board would like to see options for making a donation and completing and submitting applications online from the website. ReDesigning the website would run about \$1000 - \$1500. There was discussion regarding applying for a grant to fund the project. The Southern MN Initiative Foundation and the Dodge Center Foundation are options for such funding. Jeremy will make a contact to the Dodge Center Foundation.

AJ announced his resignation as a board member only, but would continue to be a volunteer and is willing to help at fundraisers, as of this meeting. His family life is becoming more active as his children are involved in more and more activities. Making family a priority is a good choice. AJ has been a Board member since 2004! We Thank him for his service and will miss the history he has brought to our work. THANK YOU, AJ!!

Carol made a motion to adjourn and seconded by Chris. Motion passed.

Next FIA Board Meeting - May 26th, 2022 Faith Lutheran Church - Dodge Center – 5:15 pm