

Synnøve-Nordkap Lodge #1-008 Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, March 4, 2024 at Ramsey County Library, Maplewood, MN
6:00-8:00 p.m. In Person and Zoom
MINUTES

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Lynn Hoffmeyer, Connie Chrissis, Jean Knaak, Kathy Kaluza, Dianne Anderson, Jean Draheim, Jill Hanson, Ingrid Bjorum, Sharon Amann, Pat Carlson, LaRee Opdahl, Randy Youngs, Happy Youngs, Ron Stow, Susan Stow, Sheryl Hove

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER by President Kathy Kaluza at 6:03 p.m.
Agenda change: The Secretary's Report will follow the Treasurer's Report.

TREASURER'S REPORT-Jean Draheim: The March Treasurer's Report was emailed to the Board prior to the meeting. The bank account is \$7,795.69. A motion to approve the report was made by Connie Chrissis, seconded by Ron Stow. Motion carried. The report will be placed on file for financial review. A new signed check was issued to Wells Fargo. A motion passed to reimburse Connie Chrissis for \$173.92 for the annual Zoom account.

SECRETARY'S REPORT-LaRee Opdahl: The number of members was not available. A motion to accept the Minutes as printed was made by Jean Knaak and seconded by Connie Chrissis. The motion carried. Ingrid Bjorum will look into providing easier access to the Minutes on-line.

BOARD REPORTS

JUNIOR LODGE-Susan Stow: Twelve Peer Gynt Dancers, including one new dancer, gave a good performance for 45 minutes at the Swedish Institute on March 3rd. The dancers have been working for the Cultural Skills medals. Mindekirken's Syttende Mai celebration will be May 19th. For the application for Lodge of the Year, for student involvement in a classroom, they performed at the German Immersion School for students, then for parents.

BREVET/WEBSITE-Ingrid Bjorum: The March *Brevet* is on the website. In February there were 365 views and 92 visitors. The Updated Lodge Directory is online, available with the password.

PROGRAMS-Jean Knaak: She has ideas for future meetings.

SCHOLARSHIPS-Jill Hanson: Applications are due in May for Skogfjorden and Masse Moro camps and March 18th for post-secondary students. District 1 also allocates funds to our recipients. Our lodge income has decreased. There was interest in establishing a Scholarship Fund with Jill to include setting up a separate account, to determine caps for

individual recipients, to clarify qualifications of lodge participation, to establish application due dates, to determine appropriate amounts, to determine whether amounts will be reduced if recipients are awarded other scholarships, to allocate portions of our fund raising events for scholarships, to determine how to distribute funds, etc. Susan Stow will encourage the Peer Gynt Dancers to apply for our scholarships and also for District 1 scholarships. It was tabled for the April Board Meeting.

MEAL PLAN FOR MARCH-Hospitality Committee: The Youngs and Jean Knaak will provide sloppy joes barbecues. Jean Draheim and Dianne Anderson will provide dessert.

NEW LAND, NEW LIFE DISPLAY-Ron Stow: It will be displayed at the District 1 Convention for advertizing our Lodge. Over the past 10 years it has been displayed at over 20 Sons of Norway lodges. It was featured in a Viking magazine.

OLD BUSINESS

DISTRICT 1 CONVENTION DELEGATES & ALTERNATES-Kathy Kaluza: A motion was made by Connie Chrissis and seconded by Jean Draheim to elect Delegates of Kathy Kaluza, Sharon Amann, LaRee Opdahl and Audrey Waage and Alternates of Susan Stow and Lynn Hoffmeyer. Motion carried.

DISTRICT 1 CONVENTION SILENT AUCTION MANAGEMENT &

DONATION-Ron Stow: Our lodge is in charge of the Silent Auction. Ron will collect contributions. We could donate a basket similar to our donation to the International Convention that was a basket with aquavit and a decanter.

COMMITTEE TO DEVELOP ACCESS TO CHECKING & INVESTMENT

ACCOUNTS-Connie Chrissis: She and Kathy Kaluza completed the forms for the Wells Fargo account.

DISTRICT 1 CONVENTION AD-Connie Chrissis: Dave Mutchler will order the ¼ page black & white ad in the book.

NEW BUSINESS

FORM COMMITTEE TO REVIEW BYLAWS & PROCEDURES-Kathy Kaluza: A motion was made by Jean Knaak and seconded by Jill Hanson for President Kathy Kaluza, Vice President Sharon Amann, Jill Hanson, Jean Knaak, Ron Stow and Connie Chrissis to review bylaws and look at possible changes to the policies and procedures. Motion carried.

PICNIC PLANS-Jean Knaak: The picnic will be held on Tuesday, June 18th. It will not be catered as it was in 2023, for about \$1,560, including pavilion rental of \$187.91, with income of \$431 from attendees. A possibility is to grill brats and hot dogs, have members sign up to bring side dishes and require RSVPs and payments. Sharon Amann will

contact Mary Beth Mutchler regarding rental of the park in Shoreview. Jean Draheim has the 2023 receipt with application information.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEXT MONTH'S BOARD MEETING: Monday, April 1, 2024 at Ramsey County Library, Maplewood, MN 6:00-8:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

LaRee Opdahl

Recording Secretary

Sheryl Hove

Assistant Recording Secretary