

The meeting was called to order at 5:23pm by President Marquart.

Attendees: Renn, Marion, Marquart, Fiocchi, Janik, Satterlee, Pederson, and Morton.

November 2019 minutes were approved.

Treasurer Report – Satterlee distributed report for review. We received a \$10,000 donation from St. Matthias. They have been very generous to our organization in the past several years. Marquart has a guest attending next month's meeting regarding investments.

Action Item – Satterlee distributed the proposed 2020 budget. The majority of expenses are for NLC. Marion made a motion to accept the budget, Renn seconded that motion. Motion carried and budget was approved.

New Business – Pederson asked if NLC is reaching others in the community. Are the same people attending or are we getting new individuals attending? Janik responded to the questions posed. She indicated that the support groups are well attended and there are a few new people attending the center. A question was raised regarding whether or not patients being discharged from St. Mary's behavioral unit are receiving information on NLC. Janik stated that she and the coordinator are planning to work with Koinonia staff in effort to inform patients, graduating from treatment, about NLC. A number of ideas were shared on how to get more information out to the public to bring in more members. Discussion occurred regarding members that were extremely quiet/shy when they first attended NLC.

Old Business

Northern Lakes Center – No report has been received as of yet. Coordinator's computer is not working well. Fiocchi has taken it to Computers Plus. They found a software issue and provided some other services. They donated their services.

Fundraising Committee – Co-Vantage is currently hosting a fundraising event. They are matching dollar per dollar, up to a certain amount, and are donating the monies to local charities. Our local branch has selected NAMI Northern Lakes as the recipient of monies raised/donated.

Items for the Gala are at the home of Satterlee. There was a struggle to get a 'live' document for donation requests. There is a true learning curve to educate all of us on how to use the document. This proved to be difficult to do this year. Realistically, Marquart felt we could plan to do this next year. A few hard copies were distributed. Satterlee can email the list to anyone interested in using this spreadsheet.

Information

Family Support Group – Fiocchi stated the second meeting was held last week and went well.

Ending the Silence -Crandon – A person that attended the Christmas Party indicated that they may be interested in doing this. A duo consisting of a woman and her granddaughter. They relocated to this area.

CIT/CIP – Fiocchi reported that there have not been any updates since last month.

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Family to Family – No update.

Programs

November – Presentation by Russ Fugerer. There was good interaction with 19-20 attendees.

December – Christmas party was well attended (37)

January – Seeking ideas.

Approval of absences: Wright, Mangles, Rondello, Somers and Peterson were approved.

Meeting adjourned at 6:38pm.

Next meeting on January 14, 2020 at 5:15pm.