

YCPASR Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 11, 2023

In Attendance: Chris Blevins, Joy Shoffner, Joel Riedel, Steph Jacoby, Mary Kroft, Eric Mueller, Crystal Mueller, Eydie Shafer, Doris Dietzel, Jan Ruman and Gerald Laughman

A favorite photo was shared by some members. The meeting was called to order on at SpiriTrust Lutheran, The Village At Sprenkle Drive on September 11, 2023 by President Chris Blevins at 9:05. A moment of silence for the victims and their families of 9/11 was given.

Secretary's Report: Chris-There is confusion over future meeting dates on the website. Eric needs to correct this. Joel made a motion to accept the June 2023 minutes. Steph seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Joel-Balance-\$36,994.55; General Fund-\$25,981.78; Scholarship-\$8,801.56; Social Service \$2,211.21. Joel proposed having our M & T bank accounts be monitored for a year for cyber hacking. M & T Bank is offering this service free of charge.

A question was asked about Travel's financial statement being included in the treasurer's report. Travel statements are not included because of the unpredictable ebb and flow of funds for travel on a daily basis. Joel reported that the travel account is audited on a yearly basis.

President's Report: Chris

- A. Chris attended the Business Fair held at Spring Grove Area School District (SGASD) and distributed YCPASR information to SGASD employees.
- B. Chris will attend the PASR Region 4 Executive Board Meeting on Sept. 12, 2023, in Mechanicsburg.
- C. Five members stopped by Donna Hake's home to offer encouragement.
- D. Karen Miller was recommended to be the co-chair of the Education Support Committee to serve along with Jen Trout. Her email is: WildPenn@comcast.net
- E. Summary comments from the meeting on August 6, 2023, were that it was eye-opening and donations to the YWCA York to support the Victims of Human Trafficking program were \$895.00. Chris will include information to members about how to continue to donate in the next newsletter.

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- F. Joy Shoffner and Chris will be attending the House of Delegates (HoD) in Cranberry, PA on October 15 – 17, 2023. They will represent the opinions of the Board at the By-Laws (BLs) voting portion of the conference. The YCPASR Board position on the proposed BL Changes are:
- 1. Yes to merging membership and retirement planning committees at the state and local level (should local level chapters choose this).
 - 2. Yes to eliminate the Public Relations Committee at the state and regional levels.
 - 3. Yes, Region 4 as of April 1, 2023 has 2 representatives.
 - 4. Undetermined for revising the number of members necessary for regional representation on the Board of Directors.
 - 5. No as stated. Changing the responsibilities of the Treasurer.
 - 6. No. Keep the position of Assistant Treasurer.
 - 7. Yes to change name of “Chapters Support Committee” to “Chapter Outreach Committee”.
 - 8. Clarification is needed for the revision to the number of delegates that each chapter gets to send to the HoD. Is the number based on the number of PASR members in the county chapter?
- G. Region 4 Meeting to be held on Wednesday, October 25 at the Faith Immanuel Presbyterian Church, 1801 Colonial Road, Harrisburg. Submit the names to Chris of attendees by Monday, September 25. Details to follow.
- H. Raffle cards to benefit PASR Social Service Memorial are available at \$20.00.
- I. The board decided not to sell products made by the friends at Sparrow Place at membership meetings. Chris will purchase products for a basket for the scholarship raffle in November.
- J. Newsletter articles are due to Sharon Smith by Thursday, September 14, if possible.
- K. The use of a Square for donations via debit/credit cards will not be pursued because of the monthly and percentage fees taken for processing.
- L. It was suggested to provide an edible treat for the Veterans present at the membership meeting on November 6, 2023.
- M. Ways YCPASR Board cultivates the favor of members:
- Membership does an excellent job to acquaint new members at meetings and provides non-members with great information.
 - Program asks for speaker recommendations from members and gives credit to those members who make suggestions.
 - Travel always makes people feel comfortable on trips and arranges plans to avoid any confusion.
 - IT’s work on the webpage provides useful information.
 - President hands out meeting agendas as members enter the room.
 - Business cards encourage non-members to find out more about YCPASR.

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Committee Reports:

Retirement: Doris

- A. The pre-retirement event may be held at LIU # 12 in New Oxford on Saturday, November 11. Doris will confirm this request for this date.
- B. Doris will contact LIU for arrangements for the day.

Social Service: Sally - Sally, Brenda Shearer and Cathy Dalton will visit 19 people.

Members Benefits & IT: Eric-Eric stated that you have to be a PASR member to purchase PASR sponsored vision and dental insurance.

Program: Mary

- A. For the November meeting, those who wish to donate to the York Hospital Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) need to make checks out to YCPASR. Joel will then write 1 check to the York Hospital NICU.
- B. Confirmed that Colonel Maietta verified his attendance and fee for November 6th meeting.
- C. Confirmed that 3 representatives will appear representing Wellspan's NICU Reading Nook. (Peggy Kling, Beth Schwartz, Sue Johnson)
- D. Reviewed the already scheduled programs for March, May, August and November 2024.
- E. Added Former Governor Tom Wolf for May 13, 2024.
- F. Added Pappus House and Katie Herrington for August 12, 2024.
- G. Added Elder Care Lawyer Panel from Bellomo & Associates for November 11, 2024

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Membership: Steph

- A. Dues that were to be paid by June 30th were logged in. This year only 35 members have not paid.
- B. Board members were asked to take a look at the list of unpaid members and reach out to names on the list they know to determine the member's wishes (some may have just forgotten, some may not be renewing, etc.).
- C. The database is updated and will continue to do so as membership changes.
- D. Our State PASR database will be updated at some point this Fall.
- E. Discussion was completed on the topic of providing new members with a complimentary "first luncheon" for new members. It was decided that we won't do that due to costs.
- F. An offer has been made in the new bulk mailing to pay for the first year to anyone who signs up by a certain date in the Fall Season (NOTE: several people signed up AND paid). To make it simple and easy to document, the checks were returned.
- G. Membership will attend the Pre-Retirement meeting in November and will be prepared to hand out YCPASR bags.
- H. Membership will be attending the Travel Meeting on Wednesday, November 1 to register all guests. Those who are not members will be given applications to join and will need to fill them out and pay the \$15 dues. Any person not a member and who does not want to join, Joy has offered to have us send them to her.
- I. Membership has recently received a new list of new retirees. A new bulk mailing will be sent next month with the same offer for a free first year membership.
- J. The printer will be contacted for new brochures/application forms, as needed. Stamps and envelopes will be purchased as needed.
- K. Membership Details: 769 total members (415 life, 288 annual and 66 associate members). There are 51 who didn't pay their dues and have been deleted. We also have 13 new members. YCPASR BLs state that dues are payable by June 30, but the Membership Committee doesn't update the membership list until December 31.

Travel: Joy

- A. Wednesday, November 1: Travel Presentation Bethlehem Church in Dallastown - more details following by email
- B. Monday, November 6:
 - Collette Presentation 1:00 pm: 2024 Memorials of WWII following luncheon
 - Presentation 1:30 pm: 2024 Wisconsin Dells Coach Trip

Program agenda for November: Chris

8:55 Doors Open
8:55-9:45 Browse baskets/ buy tickets for baskets
9:45-10:10 Meeting Called to Order/ Reports begin
10:10-10:40 Browse baskets/ bathroom break
10:40-10:55 NICU presentation
10:55-11:45 Colonel Maietta speaks
11:45-12:00 Closing Remarks
12:00 Lunch

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Remembrance: Eydie - Eydie doesn't use the names Jesus or Christ in her remembrance poems. She changes those names to God.

Newsletter: articles are to be submitted to Sharon Smith by Thursday, September 14, 2023.

Old Business: Chris - There is a monthly fee to use the Square for donations. Also there is too much record keeping. YCPASR will not be using Square.

New Business: Chris

- A. Veterans will be honored at the November meeting with an edible treat.
- B. President-Elect position needs to be filled.
- C. Legislative Chair position needs to be filled.
- D. Word of the year: Cultivate. How should we continue to acquire or develop the favor of members? Membership greets new members at the luncheon and helps them find a seat at a table and if needed, sits with them if they don't have a friend to sit with. Chris hands out an agenda personally and greets each member at the luncheon.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Joel. Eric seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:20 am.

Respectively submitted,

Crystal Mueller