

Council Bluffs Cosmopolitan Club
Minutes of Today's Meeting
Jan 14 – 2020

Meeting was called to order at 7 AM by President, Bill Treadway. There were 22 members in attendance.

The first item on the agenda was to wish LeRoy Lovely a Happy Birthday. He has celebrated 90 of them. Steve Wymore presented him with a Birthday donut and we all sang Happy Birthday to him. The manager asked us not to do that again for obvious reasons...anyone who has heard us sing knows why...

Woody offered the invocation.

Bill thanked Jerry for being today's greeter.

Upcoming dates of note:

1. January 27, 2020, will be our next fundraiser meeting. It will be at the Spillway at 6:15 PM. All interested members are invited to attend.
2. February 1, 2020, will be the next Cornbelt Federation meeting. It will be held at the Garden Inn at Rockbrook Plaza. It starts at 9 AM and should be done by noon.
3. March 19 is our annual Pancake Feed. It will be held at St John Lutheran Church again this year. Kent has tickets for sale. There was some discussion about the distribution of said tickets. Steve W. suggested that "every member" take 10 tickets, pay for them, and then either give them away or sell them, their choice. This would guarantee all members of the club would participate in "Our" fundraiser. There were differing opinions about the proposal. Ron F felt that as members of this club, we are asked to "work" at these fundraisers to support our charitable causes, why now must we also dig into our wallets and become the prime donors as well? Henry noted, and rightly so, that we depend on Lou F to do most of our ticket selling. Without him, we might not be as successful with our fundraising. Nothing was really decided. This will probably be an item for the fundraising committee to look at in the future. Warren G reported that we will be able to get "sausage" from our supplier at a small cost to us.
4. April 17, 18, 19, 2020: Home show fundraiser.
5. April 24, 25, 2020: Cornbelt Federation Convention will be held in Council Bluffs again since the Governor is a member of our club. Steve W. said that members would be asked to help out as the planning morphs into its final stages.
6. May 20, 2020: Omaha/Pottawattamie County Gives 2020. This is one day set aside in the Metro area where people can go online and support local charities by making donations in kind. Our new member, Amber R has accepted the challenge of representing our club at these planning meetings and will offer some strategies on how we can best utilize this opportunity.

Speaking of Amber, Bill asked Steve W to “officially” swear in Amber as our new member. The Cornbelt Governor did so. Welcome Amber!



Committee Reports:

1. Fundraising: Doug was not able to be in attendance so no report.
2. Treasurer's Report: Kent shared his latest report with the club. He included “projections” for the rest of the year so that we could get a feel for where we are and will be. He also reported that our “end-of-the-year” audit will be completed and filed as required for our 401C-3 designation. Thanks to the Ryan Law Firm for their support on this issue. Also, our grant to Habitat for Humanity will be handed out at our next meeting at the Spillway.
3. Camp Hertko Hollow: Nothing new to report
4. Membership: We've added two new members this year so far. Welcome Jerry and Amber!
5. Communication: Ron was asked to create a poster for the Pancake Feed. He will do so and bring it to the Fundraising Committee meeting for their approval.
6. Pal's Committee: Nothing to report at this time. They have approximately \$1000 in their committee budget. This money is generated from “For the Good of the Club” fund and ticket sales at our social events.
7. Service Dogs: Bill Reported that we now have NINE people with DAD's. By last meeting we had received an application for dog number 10. The club approved a donation of \$2000 and asked International to match it. Today, President Treadway shared with the club, application number 11. Kayla is a student at Simpson College in Indianola, Iowa. She has begun the process of getting a DAD and asked for our help. Bill suggested that we donate \$2000 and make a request for Cosmo International for a \$2000 match. Ron F made to motion to do so. It was seconded by Gary T. Some discussion followed. It was suggested that our Governor, Steve W, asked some of the Nebraska Clubs to kick in some \$ as well since she from Grant, Ne originally. Vote was taken. It Passed 22 for, 0 against.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE CLUB: Lee C got to brag about his grandkids...AGAIN... (IT never gets old...hearing about grandkids I mean). LeRoy made a very generous donation in memory of Russ and Jan Rains and ??? (he mentioned one other person and I'm embarrassed to say I didn't write down who) Anyway, he would like the club to consider purchasing another table cloth to use at our fundraisers with these names on it as well as our club's.

Finally, Bill Treadway is looking for someone to teach him how to use Facebook. He's looking for a tutor.

Our Next Meeting is January 28, 2020, at the Spillway Grill and Bar at 6:30PM
Ed Anderson name was drawn for the "ticket" drawing. Doug Moore's name was drawn for the "nut" drawing. He wasn't there...the pot grows!

Meeting adjourned at 7:56 AM.