

Friendship Force Knoxville
Board Meeting
November 13, 2019

Present:

Kaye Bultemeier, Don Dougall, Diana Lopez, Jean Mayer, Ron Mayer, Bruce Robinson, Janis Robinson, Joanne Schuetz

Diana Lopez called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m. Meeting location was TVUUC.

Secretary's Report

Minutes of the October 9, 2019 meeting were approved.

Vice President's Report

Kaye Bultemeier encouraged our members to bring people who are interested in membership to the meeting/event on November 19th. She also recommended that we refer to our general meetings as "events."

Treasurer's Report

Bruce Robinson distributed copies of the proposed and projected budget. As of November 2, 2019, FFK had \$953.03 in the operating account which does not include any membership renewals for 2020 and \$7,862.14 in the exchange account which includes \$4300 for Open World. We should end 2019 with somewhat over \$800 in the operating account since we have not spent everything budgeted. Please remember to submit all expenses for 2019 as soon as you can but in all cases within 60 days of the expense. Also, as of November 6, we have had nine members renew their membership for 2020. Bruce reported that since we have money in the account that we need to find appropriate ways to use the funds as we move forward.

Open World

Joanne Schuetz spoke about the program to be presented by the Open World delegates on Tuesday November 19th. The theme for the program is "Orange" so we are encouraged to wear something orange that night. A video will be shown as part of the program.

The Open World budget was approved by the board. Surplus funds will be placed in the FFK exchange account.

Journeys

Diana Lopez reported that we have now been assigned to visit two clubs in Australia: North Moreton and Gold Coast. Definite dates have not been announced.

Diana is working on the formation of a committee to organize the incoming Des Moines journey which is scheduled for April 22-27, 2020.

The outgoing Napa-Sonoma journey is tentatively scheduled for late August 2020. We are waiting for a confirmation from the host club.

Programs

Janis Robinson is working on programs for 2020 and will coordinate with Sandy Kehne. Bruce and Janis plan to present a program on Spain at the January event.

Communication/Website

Don Dougall said the November newsletter will be sent out soon. The calendar for 2020 will be created after input from the incoming board members.

Janis Robinson reported that she and Ray Simko will continue to work on the web page.

New Business

The slate for election of new officers will be presented at the November 19th event. The revised By-laws will also need to be approved by the membership at this time.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Jean Mayer
Secretary