

The **UMW** at Ely United Methodist Church  
January 19, 2022 10-11:15 AM

President Lucy Diesslin opened the meeting at 10:04 AM with a prayer. We then had a unison reading of the UMW pledge. We had 5 people attending: Lucy Diesslin, Vicki Podominick, Margie Olson, Janice Tessier and Jeanne Tomlinson.

**Minutes:** The minutes from our November 17, 2021 meeting were read. Motion to approve by Vicki Podominick; second by Janice Tessier. Motion approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** There was no Treasurer's report but Lucy Diesslin reported that Dan Johnson had approached some UMW members earlier in the month to report that the current rolling pins are rusting inside due to having been immersed in water during cleanup time. (Janice commented that sometimes they were leaving small particles of rust on the dough during the roll-out process.) In order to get the pins in time for February pasties, Jeanne Tomlinson had moved that we allocate funds to purchase new ones and authorize Dan Johnson to proceed with ordering them. This was seconded by Beverly Johnson. Motion passed. Dan will submit a receipt to the treasurer for reimbursement.

### **Old Business**

- **Christmas Luncheon:** We all agreed that the Christmas Luncheon at the Grand Ely Lodge on December 13 went very well with 27 women attending. It was nice to be in a separate room instead of the regular dining room.
- **Church Supplies:** Jeanne is still working on creating a list of supplies in order to take an inventory and then work with the committee to create a process for monitoring and purchasing. She'll be at the church on Saturday, January 22 between 10 & 11 AM working on completing the list and starting an inventory.
- **Basement large closets reorganization:** Jeanne Tomlinson reported that a time has not yet been scheduled and will probably be later in the year.

### **New Business**

- **Lucy's resignation after May:** Lucy reported that she'll be resigning as President in the Spring when we should hold elections for President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.
- **Study book:** Lucy also made a suggestion that for our next study book we should order enough so each person could have a copy and read the scheduled chapter prior to the meeting instead of reading it during the meeting. We all agreed that would be a good idea. Our current study book has 4 more chapters so we won't need to get a new one until sometime next summer.
- **Friendship Dinner:** We discussed the idea of resuming our spring Friendship Dinner this May. This has been in our Fellowship Hall in the past and was catered by Northland Market. Since Zup's will not be providing catering service we discussed alternatives and decided that we should do a buffet dinner at the GEL with our usual arrangement of having each person pay \$10 and UMW covering the rest of the cost. No date was discussed.

- **Pasties in February:** Jeanne Tomlinson asked about whether we should do pasties in February with the current COVID spikes. The group agreed that we should cancel them and just do April. Hopefully things will have settled by that time. Jeanne will ask Pastor Craig to put in a notice in the *Parish News* and will also let the callers know.
- **Coming church expenses:** Margie Olson brought up the various expenses that the Ad Council will be discussing later, such as making improvements in our sound system and replacing the basement large-screen TV that was apparently “fried” during the mid-December thunder storm. She moved that UMW offer to contribute funds to these projects. Second by Janice Tessier. No specific amounts were mentioned. Motion passed. Margie also reported that the Trustees are proceeding with the basement floor replacement and have decided on vinyl planking. She showed us the pattern they were thinking of and we all liked it.

We adjourned the business meeting portion at 10:50 AM.

For our devotional study, we read Chapter 9 of our study book, *Attitude is Your Paint Brush - It Colors Every Situation*. This chapter was about having an “Attitude of Faith” that requires Trust, Risk and Work. Margie Olson led a brief discussion after the reading.

Our next regular meeting will be on Wednesday, February 16, 2022 at 10 AM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeanne Tomlinson  
Secretary