

POLISH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF GREATER CLEVELAND
Minutes of the Meeting
Nov. 2, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. Ten participants attended in-person, and ten attended virtually.

We welcomed a new guest, Patricia Karabowicz.

The October 2021 meeting minutes were read aloud and approved.

Treasurer Ben Kman gave the treasurer's report. Our balance as of October 5, 2021 was \$3,341.87. Income was \$25.00 for dues, \$20.00 for the 50/50 Raffle, and \$21.00 for donations, for a total of \$66.00 in income. Expenses were \$116 for rent (meeting room and Zoom). We had a net loss for the month of \$50.00. Our current balance as of November 2, 2021 is \$3,291.87. The treasurer's report was approved.

Vice President Michael Speare reported that we have 65 members. Welcome to new members Bernadette and Kenneth Berger of Chagrin Falls, OH! Bernadette attended via Zoom. Her ancestors hail from Rypin.

Old Business

Ron Kraine reported for the Nominating Committee that we still need nominees for the upcoming December election, particularly for the positions of Vice President and Secretary.

Ben Kman shared that we are considering an electronic Survey Monkey for the upcoming election ballot.

Michael Speare reported that progress continues on the new website. Members were asked to take pictures of Cleveland's landmarks for our new website. Our hope is to go live with the new website by the end of the year.

New Business

Ben Kman announced that our host church, St Mary's PNC, is currently running a clothing drive. A donation box is in the meeting room.

Our Librarian, Pat Bakaitis, reported that the library books are indexed by both the Dewey Decimal System and by title.

The business portion of the meeting ended at 7:37 pm.

Tonight's presentation was a Show & Share among members. Members enjoyed sharing heirlooms and stories with the group.

The winner of tonight's 50/50 raffle was Michael Speare. The pot was \$28, and Michael won \$14. He donated \$9 back to the club. Thank you, Michael.

Art Laurer donated a book of Polish/English poetry for raffling.

Ron Stelmarski shared that he's been utilizing DNA to connect with relatives.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 pm.