

POLISH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF GREATER CLEVELAND
Meeting Minutes
September 5, 2023

Meeting called to order at 7:00p.m. Forty-six participants attended the meeting 24 in-person and 22 online.

President Michael Speare welcomed all in attendance which included members of Polish Genealogical Society of New York State (online).

Program: Records: Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps by Don Demor

Secretary's Report. Secretary Report accepted as presented.

Treasurer's Report. Treasurer Report accepted as presented.

Membership Report. Currently 84 members.

Committees

- Nominating.
 - o Committee Chair, Kim Demor, reported the Nominating Committee has these individuals running for office:
 - Ben Kman – President
 - Richard Szczepinski – Vice-President
 - Don Demor – Treasurer
 - Bernadette Berger - Secretary
- Program.
 - o Ben Kman has one or two open slots remaining for 2024 Programs.
- Publicity.
 - o Polish Harvest Festival – Polish Cultural Center – Saturday Sept 23 1pm-8pm
 - o Ron Czarnecki indicated he's interested in PGSGC promotional videos, facebook offerings
- Library.
 - o Pat Bakaitis needs help with the PGSGC Library. Re-classifying books since the library had been relocated within St. Mary's office area.
- Hospitality.
 - o Art Lauterer thanked all for attending; 50/50 will be held at this meeting.
 - o Art asked for October and November hospitality sign-ups.
- Newsletter.
 - o Michael Speare asked members to please submit newsletter articles.
- Finance.
 - o This committee is responsible for auditing the annual financial report. We are in need of volunteers. Position open.
 - o Volunteers are needed to review financials early 2024.

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- Ad Hoc. No report.

Old Business

- PGSGC potential membership in Ohio Genealogical Society (OGS).
 - No update (Don Demor)
 - However, Michael Speare reiterated our interest in the OGS. The OGS Conference is April 10-13, 2024 Kalahari Resort Sandusky, Ohio.
- Partnerships with other genealogical societies
 - Michael Speare reaching has reached out to Polish Genealogical Societies in New York and Michigan.
 - Michael Speare looking into Polish Genealogical Society of America as all of their events are online
- Holiday Party.
 - Vice-President Richard Szczepinski looking for volunteers to help plan the event. Kim and Don Demor offered to assist.
 - Event date – unknown – as further discussion within group noted three different November, December 2023 or postpone until June 2024. Concerns amongst some members – weather, time of year and daylight hours late mid/late fall.
 - Anthonette Baciak noted members need to participate and help planning.
 - Any holiday party ideas or recommendations, please email: vicepresident@pgsgc.org
- By-Laws. Volunteers are needed to review PGSGC By-Laws. Two notable revisions are PayPal and ZOOM.

Congratulations to our 50/50 winner – Michael Speare and Gifts - Polish goodies – Kim Demor. Thank you to Lucia Dominak for donating the gifts!!

Adjourned 8:40p.m.