

Shamrock Club of Columbus

General Meeting Minutes

November 6, 2022

Attendance: 56

Quorum = 45

Meeting called to order: 3:45 pm EST; 8:45 pm Dublin, Ireland

Opening Prayer: Monsignor John Kelly Cody

Irish National Anthem & American National Anthem: Karen Fahy, PP Shuman, Mike McConahay, Ken Bowen, Megan Kelly, PP Doyle

Approval of Minutes: Motion by PP Gaughan. Second by Megan Kelly

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Doug Dempsey

- All of the adjustments have been made to the final year-end financial statements (Balance Sheet and Profit/Loss Statement) at 4/30/22.
- The year-end financial statements have been submitted to the Financial Oversight Committee (FOC) for their review and approval
- President Komatsu has appointed the following members to the FOC: Francis Doyle, Ron Hagan, Todd Sichel and Treasurer Dempsey (non-voting member).
- After FOC approval, the year-end financials will be sent to Todd Sichel for preparation of the 990 Federal Tax Return for the year-ended 4/30/22.
- Todd plans on delivering the final 990 tax return to the FOC in November for their review and approval
- Once approved by the FOC, the 4/30/2022 financial statements and tax return will be presented to the E-Board for final approval
- All of the bank accounts have all been reconciled through 9/30/2022
- The current year financial statements have been prepared through 9/30/2022 and will be presented to the FOC for their review and approval before they are submitted to the E-Board
- The Club is now current in all of it's Accounting and Financial Reporting responsibilities through 9/30/2022
- The E-Board has requested the Treasurer to transfer the Club's savings account balance at Huntington National Bank fully-guaranteed, overnight sweep investment account. That will happen once the E-Board approves the HNB Guarantee Agreement to be delivered by the Club's bank representative.
- In November, the current (2014) version of the Club's QuickBooks accounting and financial reporting software will be permanently migrated over to the QuickBooks 2022 on-line version.
- Noted that the current FOC has a combined 125 years of financial experience. Monsignor Cody thanked the FOC for their work and commitment.

Membership Report: Chairman Julie Fulton

- Reminded everyone that membership renewal season is coming up and we should all renew our memberships. It's easy to do online.
- Welcomed new member Jamie Tack and the entire Tack family to the club.

Seanacháí Report: Chairman Jim Casey (not present, President Komatsu gave his report)

- The November issue has been delivered electronically and the paper version will arrive in the mail shortly.
- The deadline for article submissions is the 21st of each month.
- Reminded event chairs to send him information as soon as possible to allow for time for editing, if needed.

Sunshine Report: Chairwoman Mary Grady Strickland

- Shamrock club photographer for many years Steve Erwin passed away
- Debbi McDonald had some health issues but is on the mend.
- Linda Fox having some health problems can use some prayers.
- Kay Fallon fell and broke her other hip while in Florida, she can use some prayers. Keep Msgr. Cody in your prayers.
- Happy birthday to Pat Clark and Jim McDonald. Pat Fahy also had a birthday on November 9. Happy birthday to DOE president Sharon Tantes. Another birthday celebration for Lisa O'Connell Paccioretti.
- Corey Stevens please continue to keep him & Cherish in your prayers on his journey to recovery, they have a long road ahead
- Remember, be safe out there!

Entertainment: Chairman Mike Murphy

- Sirens - Friday, November 18, 2022 at 8pm
- Hilda Doyle, Christmas Show, Tentative Date is Friday, December 2, 2022
- Drowsey Lads, Saturday February 25, 2023 @ 8pm in the pub. \$10 admission.
- Working on St. Patrick's Day line-up and have the Rice Brothers booked so far
- OSU/Michigan Bash - Saturday, November 26, 2022 - Pools are sold out!

Old Business - none

Clann na nGael Reports:

Greater Columbus Irish Cultural Foundation - Ed Gaughan, Megan Kelly,

- Friday, December 9 - Statehouse Dinner - 2022 Honorees Bob & Mary Ginn Ryan founders of SPICE (Special People in Catholic Education)
- Irish Road Bowling Wrap-up: raised over \$1500. They are planning on hosting the Midwest Championships in July 2023.

Ancient Order of Hibernians - Bruce McPherson

- The AOH will be collecting food pantry donations in October and November.
- Celtic New Year Celebration is Friday, November 11 and the Kells are performing
- Entertainment - check out the AOH website for more information

Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians - Katie Somers

- Celtic New Year Raffle - \$5 each for a chance to win \$500 cash to benefit LAOH national charities
- Christmas Cookie sale is in December
- Socktoberfest - thanked everyone who donated to Socktoberfest

Daughters of Erin - Sharon Tantes

- Looking for needy families to adopt for the upcoming holiday season. Contact cherylcostello@yahoo.com or 614-774-8879. A Christmas tree board will be stationed in the pub and folks are encouraged to take a tag with a child's gift wish to fulfill.
- The DOE will be having their Christmas Cookie sale at the beginning of December
- Saturday, December 10 - Kids Christmas Party - Doors open at 11am and Santa arrives at noon. Bring a gift with your child's name attached. There will be a rowdy raffle.
- Sunday, December 11 - Christmas meeting and announcement of Irish Woman of the Year
- Thanked everyone who came out to the Charity Newsies Bling on November 5

Emerald Society - no report given

New Business

Irwin Academy of Irish Dance: Bob Irwin (at the behest of his granddaughter who was competing at a feis in Chicago)

- Fundraiser for dancers who qualified for the Oireachtas: gift baskets are being raffled in the pub

On This Day in Irish History: PP Andy Shuman

- This year we are celebrating the 45th anniversary of Tom Byrne's mustache
- PP Shuman asked Sharon Tantes to put his twin brother on the Adopt-A-Family list
- PP Shuman read a (pretty funny, actually) joke on behalf of PP MGS. A refreshing change for all in attendance (looking at you, McConahay)
- 1628 was the founding of the Irish College in Rome and counts St. Oliver Plunkett as one of their late 17th century alumni.
- 1948 - the first ballpoint pen went on sale in Dublin
- 2002 - Green Party members of parliament chained themselves to trees in Dublin's O'Connell Street in a last-ditch attempt to save landmarks from the axe

Irish Night at the Blue Jackets : VP Murphy

- Thursday, November 10 at 7pm. Your purchase of \$54 includes your ticket and \$10 in added value that can be used to redeem for food or drinks on the Scott's Turf Terrace.

Green Season : President Komatsu

- The Irish Family Reunion will be held in Battelle Hall at the Convention Center. Tickets go on sale in December
- Proclamation Day is Friday, March 10.

Blood Drive : Karen Finn

- **Sunday, February 19, 2023 and Sunday, June 4, 2023. Sign up at <https://www.redcross.org/>**

50/50 Drawing: Drawn by Jamie Tack. \$161 to winner PP Mary Grady Strickland

Officer Comments:

Secretary Dempsey

- Read thank you notes from the families of the Moriarty Clan and Cherish & Corey Stevens

Elected Officials Present: None

Past Presidents Present:

Bob Basbagill 2005

Ed Gaughan 2016 & 2022 IOTY

Mary Grady Strickland 2018

Andy Shuman 2021 & 2022

Bob Irwin 1993

Francis Doyle 2010

Mike Redmond 2015

Tom Byrne 2006

Mike Murphy 2014

Motion to adjourn by Karen Finn, seconded by Andy Shuman

Closing prayer by Monsignor John Kelly Cody

Meeting adjourned at 4:27 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Megan Dempsey, Secretary