

**Junaluskans General Meeting
Harrell Center Auditorium
April 2, 2025**

Jan Lemasters called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Caring and Sharing – Cynthia Lindberg shared two concerns: Linda Carlson is recovering from a stroke. Charles Johnson passed away.

Opening Prayer - Rev. Bob Starks offered the opening prayer.

Guest Speakers – Ken Howle, Melissa Aldridge, and Jan Lemasters presented on the “Sharing Our Gifts” campaign. Ken remembered that in 2018, the visioning process began, with input from the Junaluskans. The vision was adopted by the Trustees in 2020. In 2022, the Trustees established a series of fund-raising priorities, which have culminated in the “Sharing Our Gifts” campaign. Melissa reported that the “Sharing Our Gifts” campaign is a five-year campaign, from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2026. It focuses on 5 priorities: (1) Annual fund (2) Building new youth and family housing (3) Strengthening recreation ministry (4) Preserving the lake and dam (5) Restoring sacred spaces [Cross, Stuart Auditorium, Warren Center]. Some of this work has already been completed. Jan reported that \$12.4 million dollars has been raised so far. The goal is to reach \$14 million, an additional \$1.6 million by December 31, 2026. Ken invited any questions. Information flyers were distributed. Ken asked us to consider a gift beyond the annual fund gifts, as well as legacy gifts.

Birthdays, anniversaries and first-time attendees – Larry Roberts recognized two persons as first-time attendees. April birthdays and anniversaries were recognized.

Constitution and Bylaws revisions. Today, Jackie went through proposed revisions to the Constitution. Next month, we will look at the Bylaws revisions. The proposed revisions have been emailed to Junaluskans. Jackie reviewed the proposed changes in Articles I, II, III, IV, and V of the Constitution.

Jan reported that the swan JR had an eye injury (pierced eye), which will require surgery tomorrow.

Chairperson reports

Travel George Shepherd announced a trip to visit Joseph Campbell School of Folk Art on April 23, meeting at the Welcome Center at 8:30 a.m. to depart for a walking tour and lunch (cost \$22). The first wildflower hike will be on April 18.

Lake Cleanup Day Steve Crites reported that more than 120 volunteers helped with cleanup. We are considering a kayak cleanup day, with more information coming later.

Bible Study – Sue Cobb announced an organizational meeting on May 6, 11:00, in the Library.

Jan announced an **April 15 NOMAD salad and sandwich “potluck” at noon at the York Dining Hall**. Junaluskans are asked to bring salads, sandwiches, and desserts. Drinks will be supplied.

National Day of Prayer May 1 Jan (on behalf of Linda Carlson) announced the annual event, to be held at the Cross.

Beautification Day Jan announced May 14 as the day to work with staff on various projects.

Worship Opportunities Gary Phillips reported on plans for a hymn sing May 15, 6:30 p.m., in the Biblical Gardens. Bring a chair; hymnals will be provided. The cross and crown on the front of the altar table in the Chapel have been refurbished by Jody Lipscomb.

Gary also announced that Public Works will provide a collection bin for documents to be shredded in the next two weeks.

Old Business

Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast – April 30 at 8:30, at the newly renovated Terrace Dining Hall as a gift from the Lake to appreciate all who have volunteered. Sign up with Betsy Schuessler.

Flea Market Jan (on behalf of Judy LaFontaine) reminded us that it is coming on June 14.

Pat Kim announced that the **Peace Conference** begins tomorrow at the Lake. A \$20 day pass is available.

The meeting adjourned at 10:54.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeffrey Mickle,
Recording Secretary