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# Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale, Inc.

Sale Dates: April 12 - 13, 2019  
Website: [www.kansas.mccsale.org](http://www.kansas.mccsale.org)

## KANSAS MENNONITE RELIEF SALE, INC. MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING First Mennonite Church of Christian, Moundridge

**Welcome** was given by Pat Krehbiel. We started the meeting in silent prayer for the victims and their families of the shooting at Thousand Oaks, California. Pat shared the history of First Mennonite of Christian. It was founded in the town of Christian and when moved to Moundridge decided to keep the name of First Mennonite of Christian. They are Christians for Peace, supporters of MCC, are loving and compassionate towards all people and is a sanctuary church.

**Thank you** to First Mennonite of Christian for hosting and their hospitality. Board members were introduced. Also introduced were Becky Blough, publicity; Sherry Unruh, webmaster; and Matt Voth, sale manager.

### **Treasurer's Report** -Tim Miller

Income since May 1, 2018:

Ride for Relief - \$1,785

State Fair, tractor driving - \$2,500

Expenses:

Purchased tables - \$8,900

Current balance - \$5,865

**Shop Amazon Smile** – if you shop on Amazon Smile, select Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale as your charity. A donation of .5% of your purchase amount will be given to KMRS. For more info about Amazon Smile go to:

[https://smile.amazon.com/gp/chpf/about/ref=smi\\_aas\\_redirect?ie=UTF8&%2AVersion%2A=1&%2Aentries%2A=0](https://smile.amazon.com/gp/chpf/about/ref=smi_aas_redirect?ie=UTF8&%2AVersion%2A=1&%2Aentries%2A=0)

**MCC Bucks** are available for the 2019 Sale. Contact Tim Miller if you want to give some for Christmas gifts. They will also be available at every General Meeting. These are books of ten \$1 bills for \$10. Can be used by children at the Sale or a way you can encourage first timer attendees.

**New attendees** to General Meeting were introduced: Shell Martens, Etc Shop rep; David Dick, Buhler Mennonite liaison; Bob & Barb Esau, feeding the multitude committee. Welcome to the MCC Sale family!

**100 year Anniversary for MCC** is in 2020. We will be celebrating during the 2020 Sale. Maynard is already preparing and collecting 100 stories.

**The 51<sup>st</sup> KMRS in 2019** is a time for us to review what we can do different/better and focus on what to do to make it better for our volunteers. We have repaired mixers; purchased 150 tables which will be stored at State Fair free of cost and eliminate one vendor; and repairing axles, tires and rims on trailers. We are using MCC friendly vendors and when everything is finalized, we will let you know who to thank. Communications Committee is working on ways to promote publicizing the Sale. Website and Facebook is being updated with 2019 info.

**Volunteers Needed:**

Domestic Arts Superintendent  
Verenike Booth, Domestic Arts Building  
New Year Cookies Committee members  
Verenike Making Committee

There is a place on website for people to volunteer. If you know of someone who is interested in getting more involved with KMRS have then contact Jim Robb.

Verenike Making Committee needs someone immediately. Current Chair, Joy Dalke, says this is her last year. We are looking for 2 volunteers to help this year to learn the details. We hope to keep the Committee going so we can continue to make our own verenikes.

**Meeting Dates: Need host churches**

Jan 10 – Hesston Mennonite  
Feb 7 – mini auction (**note** 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday due to 2<sup>nd</sup> week is Valentine’s Day)  
Mar 14 –  
Mar 28 –

**Important Dates:**

Apr 12-13 – Sale at Fairgrounds  
May 19 – Ride for Relief  
May 23 – annual meeting – First Mennonite, McPherson

**Communications:** Matt Schmidt

- Working on Sale Theme and will distribute once finalized
- Website converting from 2018 results to info about 2019 Sale
- New Year Cookies used website for volunteers to sign up and worked well. If any other committee wants to recruit volunteers on website, contact Matt
- Matt is the Communication liaison between the Board and Sherry Unruh, webmaster, and Becky Blough, publicist. We would like to add to our publicity committee so if you know someone interested, let Matt know.

**Publicity:** Becky Blough

- Sale Bill items are due Jan 29. This will allow Becky to distribute the Sale Bill at February meeting. These are items for the General and Silent Auction. If you have pictures of individuals working on project email to [photos@kansas.mccsale.org](mailto:photos@kansas.mccsale.org)
- Continue to get the word out on Sale dates and promote the website and Facebook

**Purchasing Committee:** Fred Goering

The 2019 budget was introduced and it is attached. One new item is #23 which is the costs for MDS to build a garden shed to sell at General Auction. Due to purchasing tables, lowered table rental.

**My Coins Count:** Eric Litwiller

If you are needing ideas of how to get your congregation involved in donating their coins, let Eric know. Looking for new opportunities to involve the children at the Sale.

**Fellowship Meals:** Barb Reeves

Dates for the 2019 Meals will be March 3 and March 10. Brochure will be emailed out and you can make the necessary copies. If your church is hosting a meal on these dates and willing to host additional people, let Barb know.

**Lost and Found** at the Feeding of the Multitude after last year's sale was a sweatshirt, new shirt and sunglasses. If someone from your congregation is missing these items, contact Delon and Joretta Martens at [delonmartens@gmail.com](mailto:delonmartens@gmail.com)

**Why do we do this?** Donate vehicles, work on the vehicles, makes quilts and crafts, donate a weekend working and eating and bidding? MCC needs funds to meet the needs of needy people around the world. This is our way to be the hands and feet of Jesus here on earth. Be sure your church has April 12 and 13 on the calendar for the Sale.

**Next meeting** is January 10, 2019 at Hesston Mennonite Church, 7:00 pm. Meeting closed in prayer

Submitted,

Barb BJ Reeves  
KMRS Secretary