

**Iowa's Walking Club  
Monthly Meeting Minutes  
January 20, 2020**

**Program:** Vice President Jan Knock gave a program on Hygge, pronounced WHO-GA, which is defined as a quality of coziness and comfortable conviviality that engenders a feeling of contentment or well being (as regarded as a defining characteristic of Danish culture). Just what we needed on a cold winter's night!

**Vice President Jan Knock** opened and conducted the meeting in the absence of President Diana Ronk.

**Minutes:** November minutes approved.

**Treasurer:** In the absence of Susan Pinneke, Don Corrigan handed out the prepared report and deferred all questions to Susan when she returns. A balance of \$4534.15 is noted.

**Membership:** Jan Knock reported there are 61 members that have not renewed with a 90 member count as of now. Since January 1, 2020 there have been 8 new members that joined through the website.

**2020 Committee:** Peggy Watts showed a color coded map of Iowa with the 2020 walks in each county that will be in the TAW. Ad size pieces of paper were handed out for members to suggest an ad for Our Iowa Magazine. A reminder that the 20 Iowa Parks in 2020 walks will kick off May 1st. A paper is being prepared with talking points to be handed out to members to help promote the parks walks.

**Tales from the Trails:** Barb John reported 81 participants at the Mall Walk on January 1, 2020 and there are pictures of Facebook. Peggy Doane reported the Altoona walk no longer has the detour and the walk box has been updated and returned to the original walk route.

**New Business:** Diana Whited is preparing a slideshow highlighting the 2020 parks and points of interest and asked for member input on any improvements. Corinne Nelson reminded members of the Des Moines Skywalk event on February 15, starting at the Court Avenue Restaurant and Brewing Co., 309 Court Ave.

**Meeting Adjourned:**

**Secretary: Barb Stone**