

Association for Catholic Childhood
Minutes of February 10, 2016 ACC Board Meeting

President, Monica Scott called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM, followed by the opening prayer offered by Maureen Britt.

In attendance were Monica Scott, Maureen Britt, Julianne Read, Jeanne Borrows, Mary Lou Wickwire, Mary Roddy, Helen Santucci, Sue Lynch, Nancy O'Brien, Deirdre Brownlow, Anne Read-Andersen, Maureen Ridgway, Angeleigh Gregorios, Lois Eason and Gayle Kaplan.

MINUTES Approved as presented for the January 13, 2016 meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT Mary Roddy, Association Treasurer, furnished P&L's and a balance sheet showing \$111,917.92 in checking and savings, and \$692,666.18 in the endowment fund. The endowment fund balance reflected a \$192,000 bequest from one of our past devoted members who handled the Association calendars for many years.

There was a financial review discussion, including forming an oversight committee for our growing endowment fund. This will consist of Suzan Hruska, Maureen Britt and Helen Santucci among others. They will be overviewing the financials about once a year, probably sometime in the summer. Mary is working up a SOW with a step by step outline of all the financial procedures for following treasurers to go by. She expects to have this in place by July 1.

The Association's financial advisor, Eric Green, will be guest speaker at our next board meeting March 9th.

Our April 13th meeting will be in the evening to accommodate members who work during the day. It will be 7:00 pm at St. Therese's church hosted by our newest circle. Please plan to attend. All members are welcome.

Deirdre is going to set up a Legacy spot on our website to encourage donations to the endowment through wills, donor assisted funds, etc. Check the newsletter.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT Monica reminded us that the "Labor of Love" internet auction is imminent and to get busy with our solicitations. So far we have 145 items listed; last year we had a total of 296. We are aiming to increase our total from last year which was a net \$26,000. We have a ways to go. Bring it up at your circle meetings and strive to have a gift basket from each circle for the auction, in addition to your individual efforts. Share the news on Facebook. Spread the word to your friends and associates

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ADVOCACY: Mary Lou again announced the Youth Tutoring Program Dream Big Breakfast on March 18th at 7:00 AM at the Bell Harbor International Conference Center at 2211 Alaskan Way, Seattle 98121. Contact Kyleen Pfeffer the event organizer at kyleen@ccsww.org for more information. This is a very worth-while endeavor matching youths with mentors for tutoring, support and encouragement. This can make all the difference between whether someone stays in school and graduates or drops out because of the lack of support, etc. If you are unable to attend, perhaps you would like to donate to their cause?

Another worthy cause Mary Lou cited was the Children's Alliance which had a Kid's Day in Olympia on February 16th. This group is involved in hunger, early learning, medical and dental care for these needy children. For more information check out their website at www.childrensalliance.org.

HISTORIAN: Sue Lynch announced that she had sold six more books.

NAME CHANGE COMMITTEE: Marilyn Price, St. Bridget's Circle, was not here. Her group goes out to circles to talk about what is expected of each circle. They also discuss our name change, or not, and get the thoughts of as many members as possible regarding this important issue.

MAY LUNCHEON: Nancy O'Brien announced the date for the May Luncheon on Wednesday, May 11th at the Sand Point Country Club. Each circle is responsible for raffle tickets, as well as an item worth approximately \$75 to be auctioned at the luncheon. This can be a basket of items or a gift card to a restaurant, etc.

Mary Roddy of the Frances Hoffman circle announced that Assumption is having a bake sale and auction. See the newsletter for more information.

WAC LUNCHEON: Maureen Britt of the Katherine Meloy Circle announced their luncheon at the WAC on March 12th.

TOUR OF HOMES: This is the year for the semi-annual Tour of Homes event sponsored by the Katherine Meloy Circle. It will be on December 3rd, and will include a boutique. More news later.

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BROADMOOR LUNCHEON: The Katie McKay circle is sponsoring their annual luncheon on October 4th. Again, watch the newsletter for more information on this beautiful event.

PLANT SALE: First weekend in May. Please see newsletter.

FASHION SHOW: Lois Eason of the Father Vogel Circle told us about their fashion show to be held at St. Paul's on March 31st. This should be interesting – Chico's is doing the show. All are invited.

Mary Roddy asked the board if we would be interested in sponsoring an all Association luncheon on one of Holland American Line Cruise Ships when they are in port. This is a luncheon they offer to charitable groups as a fund raising event, including a tour of the ship. The Board indicated we would be, so Mary will investigate and report back to us at the next Board meeting.

A plea was put out for newborn layettes. St. Therese our newest circle is furnishing some of these. There is always a need, as well as diapers, size 1-3 and 4-6, and wipes. The wipes and diapers can be ordered through Amazon or Costco and delivered to the office.

Thank you to Ann Read-Andersen and Maureen Ridgway for hospitality.

After our meeting was closed we were blessed to have mass offered for Ash Wednesday at the center which was attended by several members.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeanne Borrows, Secretary