

ASSOCIATION FOR CATHOLIC CHILDHOOD

Minutes for October 12, 2016 Board Meeting

President Maureen Britt called the meeting to order at 7:10 followed by an opening prayer "In Time of Transition" read by Monica Scott.

In Attendance: Maureen Britt, Patty Shephard-Barnes, Marry Roddy, Kate Szymanski, Anne Read-Anderson, Mary Lou Wickwire, Joan Walton, Gayle Kaplan, Deirdre Brownlow, Erika Michels Wendy Bambrick, Marisol Joynt, Judy Schroeder, Kristy Charles, Janice Walters, Joan Glick and JoAnne King.

MINUTES: Approved as presented for the Sep. 14, 2016 meeting

TREASURERS REPORT: Mary Roddy provided a Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Sheet as of September 30, 2016.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

A warm welcome to Patty Shephard-Barnes (Frances Hoffman Circle) as our new First Vice President.

Committees to organize by involving non-board member help.

Membership – Organization will be updated to clearly state membership expectations.

Bylaws – Barbara Easter will be forming a committee to revamp.

Name Change – Looking for member involvement over the next 2 years to help with transition.

Centennial Committee – Looking for member involvement to prepare and plan our celebration.

The Name Change committee and Centennial committee should plan on merging to prepare for both events. This will be an opportune time to put our name forth in the community.

Calendar sales – Calendars are available. If you are able to sell at your parish please do so. They are \$3 each and can be advertised in parish bulletins, etc.

Grant requests are being reviewed now and amounts will be available by the next board meeting. Currently there is over \$100,000 in requests. We are looking for volunteers to deliver checks and take pictures to commemorate the event and to raise awareness of ACC in the community.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Advocacy: Mary Lou asked us all to vote positively for children's issues in the upcoming elections!

Endowment: The White Envelope campaign continues, no amount is too small and 100% participation is always our goal.

The Christmas appeal will be going out November 21st. When you donate to the appeal you will receive a beautiful Christmas ornament created by Lynn Swick. And, again, no amount is too small and is greatly appreciated.

Nominating Committee: We are in need of a 2nd Vice President, who would be in charge of the nominating committee. Please note that the 2nd Vice President does not necessarily move up to 1st Vice President.

Membership: Joan Walton needs assistance developing the packet for new members and new circles. They will update the classes of membership and corresponding dues. Kristy Charles, being the newest circle representative (St. Therese Circle) and Deirdre Brownlow both expressed interest.

Hospitality: Gayle Kaplan will be enlisting volunteers for refreshments at board meetings.

Historian: Maureen will continue to coordinate with our ACC Historian Sue Lynch to develop plans for our Centennial Celebration.

Celebration Mass: Mass will be held November 1st at St. Catherine's followed by lunch. The cost of the luncheon is \$20 and each circle should send one check for all members attending to Deirdre by Oct. 24th. Gayle Kaplan confirmed that Father Mark has agreed to be celebrant. She also mentioned that it will be necessary to find a new location for upcoming years due to conflicting schedules with the school. They are happy to assist with planning for upcoming celebration masses.

Tour of Homes: There will be 6 homes on the tour this year and we will need 180 volunteers to serve as hostesses in two hour shifts. Tickets go on sale Nov. 1st and are \$25 purchased ahead (\$26 if purchased online) and \$30 at the door. 20 Vendors will be present in the Boutique at the Our Lady of Fatima social center. Board members are asked to contribute 6 dozen cookies to the Tea House for the event.

Office: Many thanks for the diapers that were donated! Please consider using Amazon Smile when you purchase items on the Amazon Smile program, there is a link on our homepage at www.forthchildrenww.org. When you designate ACC as your charity we will receive a percentage. There are similar programs at Fred Meyer as well as Bartell Drug.

CIRCLE EVENTS: (visit www.forthchildrenww.org for more info on the following)

Labor of Love Auction: Up and ready to accept donations, now is a great time to solicit donations before the holidays. Deirdre is using a new website to set up the auction and form committees that will allow committee chairs to ask for volunteers and assign duties. There will also be a print copy to allow non-computer users to sign up as well.

St. Bridget's Circle extended the sale of their Paperwhites for the holidays until Oct. 17th.

The Irene Hanley Circle is offering a variety of tulip and daffodil bulbs (\$6/doz for tulips, \$7/doz for daffodils).

The Marjorie Ryan and Fr. Thomas Lane Circles are selling wreaths and Poinsettia.

The Frances Hoffman Circle will host a bake sale at Assumption church on Nov. 4/5 after each Mass.

The St. Therese circle event "Cooking for a Cause" was a fun, successful night bringing in about \$4,000.