

Salt Lake City Diocesan Council of Catholic Women

June 1, 2019

St. Mary's in West Haven

Call to Order – President Pond called the meeting to order at 10 AM

Opening Prayer- Susan Espinoza and Suzie Brown led the opening prayer

Pledge of Allegiance – President Pond led the pledge

DCCW Objective/Mission Statement – All members recited the mission statement

Welcome and Introductions – Cabrini Riddle from St. Martin de Porres was introduced as well as the host members Karen Fawbush (Holy Family), Suzanne Thomson, Carolyn Jachim, Amy Taupin, and Anne Reavis were introduced. **Present:** Suzie Brown, Delfina Cook, Marcie Downs, Susan Espinoza, Ernie Folks, Carol Harley, Becky Hicks, Bobbie Hunt, Cheryl Johnson, Amy Kennedy, Barbara Kerouac, Barbara Larsen, Angela Martinez, Margaret Cragin, Maryanne Mulvihill, Susan Neilson, Marie Neri, Sylvia Orosco, Michael O'Shea, Casey Pond, Susan Porter, Annette Pressley, Nancy Reading, Fr. Rene Rodillas, Bonnie Siegrist, Pat Voorhes.

Establishment of Quorum – A quorum was present

Acceptance of Proposed Agenda – Under Unfinished Business, the addition of Standing Rules and Convention Guidelines were added. Pat Voorhes motioned to approve the agenda, Ernie Folks seconded the motion and it passed.

Reading of Minutes from April Board Meeting – As the minutes were sent in advance, Angela Martinez motioned to suspend reading the minutes and Barbara Kerouac seconded. Revisions to the April minutes were made.

Spiritual Advisor Remarks – Fr. Rene is transferring to another parish but will stay as the DCCW Spiritual Advisor. We have been reflecting on the Lord's farewell address during the daily readings; in John 16:15-20, "in a while you will no longer see me, in a little while you will see me." The first community's understanding expected Him to come back after the Ascension in anticipation of His second coming. We are still waiting for the second coming. St. Paul told the early community to work or not eat! We might procrastinate if we know the exact date of the coming; we might not prepare. He wants us to be faithful and consistent with our good works. Time according to God is not our time. What sustains us is our connectedness to God; the Eucharist nourishes us. Learn that. The gospel reading today on the eve of the Ascension, we ask for anything in My Name and God will give it to us. Think about our final destiny and the things we should value most – the greatest thing God should give us, our joy, comes from God.

NCCW President-Elect Remarks – Pat Voorhes will be installed at the NCCW convention; her job is to plan the conventions and her first convention will be the 100st anniversary; Cardinal Timothy Dolan will celebrate the opening mass; it will be held on August 26-30 in Arlington, Virginia. The 2021 NCCW Convention will be held on November 3-7, 2021 in Minnesota. Salt Lake City should consider the 2022 convention. The Idaho DCCW wants to assist us. The Social Action Directors will exhibit on July 28 at the University of Utah; NCCW is a sponsor. Casey presented Pat with a lavender plant since purple is the color of royalty!

Reports of Officers

President – On file; the DCCW Convention was successful with 308 women attending. Marie Mischel’s article on the convention was great; we need to be open and welcoming.

1st vice-president – On file; Becky is attending her retirement party this weekend!

2nd vice-president – On file; Maryanne noted that this is her support system in my Catholic faith.

Secretary – Roster updates please.

Treasurer – DCCW Financial Activity and 2019 DCCW Convention Reports were available and reviewed.

Immediate Past President – Deferred to later business.

Historian – No report available.

Parliamentarian – Excused.

Reports of Commission Chairs

Spirituality – Susan thanked Suzie for the beautiful convention prayer services and prayer room.

Service – Sylvia gave a big thanks to Marie Neri who delivered all the collected items to the shelters.

Leadership – Barbara deferred to the unfinished business.

Legislative – Excused; Donna’s report is on File.

Reports of Deanery Presidents

Eastern – No report available.

Northern – Barbara Larsen reported on the deanery activities; her report on file.

Salt Lake – No report available.

Southwestern – No report available.

Wasatch – Susan Porter reported on the deanery activities.

Reports of Standing Committee Chairs

Finance – The Finance Committee membership is Carol Harley, Jennifer Street, Angela Martinez, Casey Pond, Marcie Downs, Michael O’Shea, and Becky Hicks, Chair.

Director of Meetings – Bobbie noted the hotel was wonderful to work with, food was good; hostesses were great, WOY was great. Susan Neilsen subbed for Sheila Landry and was fabulous; our 32 women were so pleased.

Aware – Next Aware deadline will be 9/21/19.

Website – Angela thanked the women for their support; she asked that flyers be sent to her for web posting.

MDR – Amy Kennedy noted that Wasatch Deanery is on fire; four new or renewed CCWs; thank you for your support and prayers.

Bylaws, Standing Rules, Convention Guidelines – Barb asked that those working on the convention please review and provide comment to the appropriate sections related to their experience.

Nominating – Marcie Downs thanked several people. Article 11, Nominating Committee needs one representative from each deanery selected by the deanery president. Section 12, Nominations, members of the committee shall not be candidates and the committee will be activated at the September meeting.

Unfinished Business

2019 DCCW Annual Convention Reports and Recommendations

Convention co-chair – Becky’s report is on file.

Registration – Pat Voorhes noted St. Vincent and St. Olaf assisted at the registration table with 225 Package A, 71 Package B, 273 Package C, and 10 Package D; \$43,605 total for convention registration.

Hotel registration – Carol Harley noted all went well.

WOY – Bobbie Hunt noted 32 wonderful women were presented with Deanery presidents assisting.

Sponsorship – Ernie Folks received applications from 10 parishes. Angela recommended we put information on the web and have parish presidents talk about sponsorship. Barbara Kerouac noted that an ad or article in the Intermountain Catholic would be helpful. Nancy noted that if people were embarrassed, the parish priest could approach someone who might want to go but couldn't afford it.

DOM – Bobbie Hunt recapped and will start working on 2020 convention; Magdalene Religious Goods were thrilled and bought a full page ad. Immaculate Heart did not know that they were not selected for the convention and had ordered extra items for the convention. The Convention guidelines, page 13, for bus transportation has not dollar figure (Bobbie noted it is usually \$500). The dollar figure is budgeted.

Ways and Means – MaryAnne was impressed with all the beautiful items; the Carmelites did well also; Michael noted that St. Anthony did another bang up job with advertising.

Treasurer – Convention expenses and income were reviewed; CCW deanery expense for convention bags should go to the Salt Lake Deanery.

Spirituality Commission – Rosemary gave an excellent presentation; Anne Boyer did a beautiful job with Taize; Fr. Rene noted early morning Taize would be great at 6 AM. Rosary on Sunday morning was full.

Prayer services/Prayer room – Suzie made the prayer room a centering space.

Environment - Suzie did a beautiful job with the prayer environment.

Service Commission – Sylvia had nothing more to add.

Final Comments from Marcie Downs – We are all such talented women and we know what to do; we are so fortunate to have this talent in the room; we put on a beautiful weekend.

Our Lady of Good Counsel Affiliate of the Year Award – Copies were sent out in the email; Mary LeBaron brought this forward in January. Casey asked for discussion. Nancy Reading motioned to accept the program as written and implemented; Ernie seconded and it passed.

2019 NCCW Convention – August 21-24, Atlanta, GA “NCCW Caring for God's Creation”, Online registration is at www.nccw.org/nccw-convention. Early bird registration due to NCCW by June 1; registration closes July 29.

NCCW Convention Sponsorship – Committee members are: Marcie Downs (chair), Kathy Fassio, Bonnie Siegrist, Cleo Mota, Bobbie Hunt, Susan Neilson and Michael O'Shea. The convention funding committee will assist women to want to attend the NCCW convention. Presentation roll-out will be at the September meeting.

Ad for the NCCW Convention program book – Due by July 5, we are budgeted \$225 for the ad (1/2 page) and silent auction item; Amy moved that we have a full page ad at \$300 in honor of Pat Voorhes. Theresa Pond was suggested to make the ad. Silent auction package will be \$50 and Maryanne will put it together. No purses are in the silent auction item; that is separate auction.

Standing Rules Changes – Barbara Kerouac reviewed multiple changes to the Standing Rules and Convention Guidelines. This information is needed by the September meeting for future affiliate presidents. After much discussion, Pat called the question. Casey called for the amendment to convention guidelines; Pat moved to accept the changes with amendment and Ernie seconded. It passed. Ernie then moved to accept standing rules as proposed and Pat seconded. It also passed.

New Business

Give Me A Chance – The GMAC fund raiser is September 7 and a signup was sent around the room so we could consider buying a table. Bobbie reviewed the event; we can sponsor a table up to \$5,000; tickets are \$50. If we have eight (8) members, then the table would be \$400 and DCCW would need to donate \$100 for the total cost of the table. Nancy Reading will put together the DCCW donation basket for \$100 which is budgeted. Each deanery has sent things for the auction – the price needs to be at least \$50. Website registration is available. Deadline for baskets is August 15.

DCCW Council Sunday – October 20, 2019 – President Pond asked that we please begin now to plan for the event. An ad for the Intermountain Catholic is \$230; we have \$550 budgeted. A motion was made to purchase the ad by Carol Harley and Pat seconded; Bonnie’s name was suggested to create ad.

DCCW 2019-2020 Calendar – The coming year calendar was made available.

Fr. Vidal stopped by and he noted that he is moving to St. Francis of Assisi in August; he thanked the women of the Diocese.

Correspondence – Carmelite convent sent a thank you letter to Mrs. Cheryl Johnson.

Closing prayer – Susan led the closing prayer.

Raffle – Half of the 50/50 raffle winning will go to GMAC. Cheryl Johnson was the big winner.

Adjournment – The meeting concluded at 12:40 PM

Next meeting – September 21, 2019 at the Southwestern Deanery, Christ the King, in Cedar City