

Salt Lake City Diocesan Council of Catholic Women

Board Meeting Minutes

September 30, 2017

Christ the King

Call to Order: President Marcie Downs called the DCCW Board meeting to order at 10:10 am, and asked for a

moment of silence to remember deceased loved ones and those affected by recent disasters, and to give

thanks for what we have been given. Marcie shared a reflection to honor the memory of Msgr. Servatius.

Opening Prayer: Mary Valerio led the opening prayer service. Mary was thanked for the beautiful liturgical environment display.

Pledge of Allegiance: President Downs led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Welcome and Introductions: President Downs welcomed Board members and guests, introduced the head

table, and recognized those who have served on the NCCW Board. Board officers present:

Casey Pond, 1st

Vice-President/President Elect; Bonnie Siegrist, Immediate Past President; Kathy Fazio, Secretary; and Becky

Hicks, Treasurer. Other Board members present: Lisa Adamson, Jeanne Audiss, Delfina Cook, Carol Harley,

Bobbie Hunt, Barbara Jewkes, Cheryl Johnson, Kathy Jones, Angela Martinez, Margaret Cragin-Masarone,

MaryAnne Mulvihill, Susan Neilson, Susan Porter, Rev. Renato Rodillas, Anne Smith, and Mary Valerio. Board

members excused: Suzie Brown, Becky Colombo, Tracy Ehrig, Susan Espinoza, Ernie Folks, Paula Hatch,

Deanna Keller, Amy Kennedy, Barb Kerouac, Barbara Larsen, Mary LeBaron, Donna Murphy, Marsha Murphy,

Pat Musich, Sylvia Orosco, Michael O'Shea, and Pat Voorhes. Absent: Marketa Cooper. Sr. Yvonne Hatt,

Southwestern Deanery Spiritual Advisor, welcomed everyone to Christ the King. Judith Greene, Host Deanery

Immediate Past-President, introduced the SW Deanery affiliate presidents and board members in attendance.

Establishment of Quorum: Secretary Kathy Fazio stated that a quorum was present (21).

Acceptance of Proposed Agenda: President Downs requested that the agenda be amended to include

activation of the Nominating Committee. Susan Neilson requested that Sponsorship Committee be added to

the list of standing committee reports. Angela Martinez moved to accept the amended agenda; Barbara

Jewkes seconded. The motion passed.

Reading of Minutes from June 2017 Board Meeting: Under “Unfinished Business,” the NCCW Purse Raffle

item will be corrected to read, “An item for the purse raffle has been donated by Pat Voorhes.

There being no

other changes, the 6/03/17 minutes will be filed as corrected.

Spiritual Advisor Remarks: Father Rene Rodillas spoke about the true sources of joy – faith, hope and love,

and reminded us that joy comes not from external sources, but from the inside. He asked us to be mindful

that our service to others should come from the heart, without self-serving purposes. He recommended a

book entitled, Sacred Fire.

NCCW Province Director Remarks: Pat Voorhes is excused. Her report was read by Margaret Cragin-

Masarone, and included a summary her experience at the recent NCCW Convention.

Information was given

regarding registration for the San Francisco Province Meeting.

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Reports of Officers:

President: Marcie Downs. The report included thoughts about the importance of effective communication

and dissemination of information. Marcie thanked Susan Espinoza for leading the retreat for DCCW officers,

Executive Committee and committee chairs, held at Jane’s House in Salt Lake City. She presented Deanery

Presidents with a CD on communication, a packet of materials from the NCCW Convention; and she gave all

attendees a kit to make a rosary bracelet and a copy of an article called, “Fighting Evil with Prayer.”

First Vice President/President Elect: Casey Pond. Casey thanked the Board for the opportunity to attend the

NCCW Convention. She stressed the importance of respecting deadlines for our DCCW Convention, especially

for items needed for the program booklet.

Second Vice President/Ways & Means: Barb Kerouac is excused. Margaret Cragin-Masarone displayed two

quilts that will be used as raffle items at next year’s DCCW Convention.

Secretary: Kathy Fazio. Kathy thanked those who notified her of recent roster changes. She read a card from

Msgr. Bircumshaw, thanking the DCCW for its gift to the Priests' Mutual Benefit Society in memory of Msgr.

Servatius. Correspondence was also received from Give Me A Chance acknowledging DCCW's donation of a silent auction basket, and from the Southeast Utah WIC Program thanking us for items donated to them.

Treasurer: Becky Hicks presented a Financial Activity report for the period of 6/2/17-9/30/17. Report will be filed for audit. Becky addressed questions regarding NCCW dues. The current procedure is for affiliates and deaneries to submit dues directly to NCCW, with the DCCW Treasurer following up if anyone needs a reminder. She will study this issue to determine if a better system should be adopted.

Immediate Past President: Bonnie Siegrist. Report is deferred until later in the agenda.

Reports of Commission Chairs

Spirituality: Susan Espinoza is excused. No report.

Service: Lisa Adamson. Report is on file and online. Lisa will present an idea for a DCCW service project at the November Board meeting.

Leadership: Becky Colombo was excused. Report is on file and online.

Legislation: Donna Murphy is excused. No report.

Reports of Deanery Presidents

Eastern Deanery: Barbara Jewkes. Report is on file and online.

Northern Deanery: Sylvia Orosco is excused. Report is on file and online.

Salt Lake Deanery: Margaret Cragin-Masarone. Report is on file and online.

Southwestern Deanery: Mary LeBaron is excused. Report is on file and online.

Wasatch Deanery: MaryAnne Mulvihill. Report is on file and online.

Reports of Standing Committee Chairs

Finance Committee: Becky Hicks. Report is deferred until later in the agenda.

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Director of Meetings: Bobbie Hunt. A contract will be signed this week with the Sheraton Hotel for the April

28-29, 2018, DCCW Convention. Hotel rooms will be \$108. Registration package prices are not yet

determined. Bobbie echoed Casey's remarks about the need to respect deadlines, especially for Woman of

the Year and for convention registrations and hotel reservations.

Aware: Tracy Ehrig is excused. No report.

Website: Angela Martinez. No report.

MDR: Anne Smith. Anne presented attendees with a thumb-nail printout of a power point presentation she

created to introduce NCCW. Anne reminded everyone that she and Co-Chair Amy Kennedy are available for

mini-retreats and workshops.

Bylaws Committee: Becky Colombo is excused. Becky and Co-Chair Pat Musich will review the Bylaws,

Standing Rules and Convention Guidelines at the November Board meeting.

Nominating Committee: Bonnie Siegrist. Report is deferred to later in the agenda.

Historian: Deanna Keller is excused. No report.

Parliamentarian: Jeanne Audiss. Her report, which is on file and online, included resolutions presented at the

NCCW Convention. Jeanne would like to see DCCW adopt a procedure for submitting resolutions at our

Convention similar to NCCW's. She will present her ideas at the November Board meeting.

Sponsorship: Mary Valerio. Report is on file and online. Mary stressed the need to adhere to submission

deadlines for requests for Convention sponsorship. Mary will take under advisement a request that the

submission deadline be changed to allow more time for affiliates to notify members about this program.

Unfinished Business

2017 NCCW Convention: President Downs thanked the DCCW for giving her the opportunity to attend this

year's convention. She showed the program ad which was beautifully designed.

DCCW 2017-2018 Calendar Update: The dates for the 2018 province meeting are Feb. 9-11, at the Crystal Inn

in Salt Lake City. Registration form is available on the DCCW website.

DCCW Council Sunday: Council Sunday is October 15. Deanery Presidents were asked to encourage their

affiliate presidents to schedule events to highlight this occasion. An ad will run in the Intermountain Catholic.

2018 DCCW Convention: Convention dates: April 28-29, Sheraton SLC. Theme: "Be Full of Joy," with a strong

orange color featured in the graphic. Keynote speaker: Sheri Wohlfert, whose blog is joyful words.org.

Featured commissions: Legislative and Leadership. Hotel Reservations: A standing committee for hotel

reservations has been created - Carol Harley was appointed as chairperson. Host: Southwestern Deanery -

Sandra D'Angelo is hospitality chair and is recruiting hostesses; Cherri Delgado is convention bags chair and

plans to include a medical information card in the bags. Cherri will send a request to deanery and affiliate

presidents in January, asking for monetary donations to cover bag expenses.

Suggested Changes to Convention Guidelines: table until the November Board meeting.

New Business:

DCCW 2017-2018 Proposed Budget: On behalf of the Finance Committee, Becky Hicks presented the proposed budget and addressed questions. Becky moved that the budget be approved as proposed; Casey Pond seconded. The motion passed.

Province Meeting: The San Francisco Province Meeting is scheduled for Feb. 9-11, 2018, at the Crystal Inn in SLC. Registration forms are available on the DCCW website.

Nominating Committee: President Downs announced that the Nominating Committee is now activated.

Chairperson Bonnie Siegrist asked each Deanery President to appoint a representative. Angela Martinez was elected by the Board to fill the at-large seat on this Committee.

Announcements:

Raffle: The winners of today's door prize raffles were: Angela Martinez, Susan Neilson, Lisa Adamson, Barbara Jewkes, Judith Greene, Becky Hicks, and Carol Harley. It was suggested that, due to the Southwestern Deanery's limited funds, the 50/50 money that normally is placed in the Sponsorship Fund, will be donated to them to help cover Convention hosting expenses.

NCCW: Becky Hicks encouraged everyone to consider attending the 2018 NCCW Convention. She recommended accessing the NCCW.org website to take advantage of the information posted there. She also encouraged everyone to become an Individual Member of NCCW. Shirley King encouraged everyone to think about becoming an Associate member.

Carmelites: Members were asked to bring these items to the next meeting for the Carmelite nuns: canned pineapple (crushed), sugar, and pocket-size Kleenex.

Closing Prayer: Mary Valerio led the Board in a closing prayer.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Next Board Meeting: November 11, 2017, St. Peter's in American Fork (Wasatch Deanery).