**Holy Redeemer Council of Catholic Women**

 General Meeting / Carlin Hall/ following 5:30 mass

 Date: April 22, 2024

The National Council of Catholic Women acts through its members to support, empower, and educate all Catholic women in spirituality, leadership, and service. NCCW programs respond with Gospel values to the needs of the Church ad society in the modern world.

**Board Members Present:** Marianne Stoutland, Maggie Wambeke, Jan Noyes, Janet Vandendriessche,

 Lori Timmerman, Bev Schroeder, Joyce Strootman, Leanna Olsem, Gina Reed, Karla Antony,

 Bobbi Verly, Janet Trost, Patricia Drown

**Opening Prayer:** Jan Noyes ~ A Prayer to St. Joseph, Defender of Life

**Guest Speaker**: Gavin VanMoer, author of Shine Through the Darkness

**Secretary’s Report:** Patricia Drown – minutes from February 26, 2024 Board Meeting published online.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Janet Vandendriessche

**President’s Report:**

 **\***Catholic United Financial is sponsoring a women’s financial workshop in Carlin Hall on April 29, 2024

 **\***Discussion was held:How do we get young women involved in CCW?

 **\***VP and Family Concerns Positions will be available

**Commission Reports**

**Spirituality**

 **\*Church Commission – Jan Noyes**

-Focus efforts on praying for the ending of abortion

 -Addresses of Shepherd of the Field

 Fr. Mark Steffl Fr. Brian Oestreich

 636 1st Ave North 401 W 3rd Street

 Sleepy Eye, Mn 56085 Madison, Mn 56256-1422

 **\*Reverence Life – Lori Timmerman**

-Roses for Mother Day - May 11, 2024

 Volunteers needed for cleaning the roses on Saturday and selling the roses on Sat/Sun

 **\*Legislative Commission – Joyce Strootman**

-Assisted suicide bill did not receive a hearing in the senate this year; we should be watchful for next year.

**Service**

 **\*Family Concerns – Leanna Olsem** - None

 **\*Community Concerns – Gina Reed -** None

 **\*International Concerns – Bev Schroeder -** None

 **\*Scholarship –Janet Trost -** None

**Leadership**

 **\*Organization Commission – Karla Antony -** None

 **\*Vice President –Open**

 **\*Communication – Bobbi Verly –** None

**Old Business**

\*Vice President and Family Concerns positions open

**New Business**

 **\***May 26th Father Denny’s 50th Anniversary Reception – Cindy Sanders

 Seeking volunteers for helping with the reception

\*SMSU Baccalaureate, Friday, May 3rd – Yvonne Girard

 Seeking volunteers for desserts

\*Salad Luncheon – Joyce Strootman

 Volunteer slots are filled

 Tickets available at HyVee and Parish Center

\*Mother’s Day Roses – Lori Timmerman

 Seeking volunteers

\*Autumn Gathering – Monday, September 16th

 Volunteers will be needed especially for luncheon, helping with mass, registration

**Next meeting will be May 20, 2024**

Spirituality Committee will be serving the luncheon

 7th & 8th graders from HRS Field Trip will speak about their trip

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia Drown

**Board Meeting (held after General Meeting on April 22, 2024)**

 \*Audit of CCW 2023-24 books

 -Paula Boerboom, Beth Ritter, Joyce Strootman will do audit

 \*Janet Vandendriessche handed out the proposed budget for July 2024 through June 2025

 -Discussion was held on the budget

 Janet will make changes, email revised budget to board, board will vote by email

 and revised budget will be presented at the General Meeting in May for approval.

 \*Perpetual Fund for Cemetery

 \*Drown/Timmerman to donate $2000 from this year’s Budget for Perpetual Fund

Closing Prayer – Jan Noyes Prayer to Our Lady of Good Counsel