

**Holy Redeemer Council of Catholic Women**  
**General Membership meeting in Carlin Hall**  
**Monday, September 27, 2021 6:00 p.m.**

Board members present: Megan Gross, Lori Timmerman, Janet Trost, Christina Blomme, Evonne Seivert, Joyce Strootman, Karla Antony, Janet Vandendriessche, Leanna Olsem, Bobbi Verly, Paula Boerboom and Paula Meyer

Call to Order

**Opening Prayer** – Evonne Seivert – Prayer from the book 180 Prayers for Women

**Secretary's Report** – Paula Meyer – Minutes from August read aloud by Megan. Motion to approve, seconded and passed.

**Treasurer's Report** – Janet Vandendriessche – Checking balance is 6,646.52\$. Savings balance is \$21,083.57. Deanery II board sent a thank you for the work done on the Diocesan gathering. Janet went through the activity that has occurred in the last few weeks, see report. M/S/P to pass the report.

**President's Report** – Karla Antony –

**Commission Reports**

**Spirituality**

**Church Commission** –Evonne Seivert– Shepherd of the Field – We have Fr. Jerry Meidl and Fr. John Pehrson as the priests for whom we pray. Evonne passed around a card for us to sign.

**Legislation Commission** –Joyce Strootman– No report.

**Reverence Life** –Lori Timmerman – October 3 is Respect Life Sunday. There will be a life chain on Main Street to pray for the end of abortion. The baby cradle will be put in the gathering space in the church to collect items for Birthright. October 31<sup>st</sup> is the Birthright pancake breakfast in Carlin Hall.

**Service**

**Family Concerns** –Leanna Olsem– The public praying of the Rosary will be on Oct. 6 at 6:50 on the soccer field. The 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade Faith Formation students will be attending.

**Community Concerns** –Gina Reed– Absent

**International Concerns** –Paula Boerboom– Coffee was ordered. Four bags were sold at the Diocesan convention earlier this month. There is a good inventory for the holiday season. There is a Friends of San Lucas gala in Mankato.

**Scholarship** – Christina Blomme – No report.

**Leadership**

**Organization Commission** –Janet Trost– No report.

**Vice President** – Megan Gross – No report.

**Historian/Communication** – Bobbi Verly – No report. Bobbi asked for clarification on her position. She will be responsible for posting happenings on Facebook.

**Old Business**

Annual NUDCCW Convention – April 29-30, 2022 at Holy Redeemer: We will need to begin meeting on this in the various groups to get the planning in motion.

Calendar for Jun 2021 through May 2022: If there is anything that needs to be added, let Karla know and she will get that out to everyone.

Ideas/speakers for October 25 and March 21 General Gathering: March 21 Dana Webskowski will be speaking on that date. For the October 25 general meeting, Karla visited with Fr. Labat regarding this about someone who speaks on end-of-life decisions. Fr. Labat found that there is a Dr. Francine Knowles who is a speaker on this topic. Karla emailed her to

see if she would be available/willing to speak. Other speaker options were discussed. Decision will likely be made via email since we will not have another meeting before October 25.

The Spirituality commission plus secretary will be responsible for planning the food for this evening.

Christmas Cookie Walk December 11: Latiefa Bentz was suggested as someone who might be willing to coordinate this event.

Pro-Life Rally – January 22, 2022: Letters are sent out in November asking for money to help cover the bus. Lori Timmerman will keep us posted on this.

Rosary leaders for funerals/wakes: Karla called to update the list of people who provide this service.

Salad Luncheon on May 19, with salad prep on May 18: Megan Gross said she would help Christina with this event.

CCW Recognition Sunday – October 10, 2021: Karla emailed Fr. Tony asking him about CCW Recognition Sunday. We will be asking him to read the Proclamation at Masses that weekend.

Meals on Wheels: Megan or Janet will reach out to Gina to check on what is needed yet for this. We are responsible for deliveries at the end of November.

### **New Business**

Trunk or Treat: Lori Timmerman inquired as to whether or not CCW would be willing to contribute money for the police, ambulance and fire department to purchase candy for this event. Trunk or Treat is sponsored by Catholic United Financial, CCW and CDA. Motion made to donate money for this. M/S/Failed. Bobbi Verly suggested we put out notice to the parish that candy donations for this event can be dropped off at the school. M/S/P for this.

Evonne presented an idea on a retreat for women. Women from the parish would gather for socialization, speaker, lunch and afternoon activity. Megan suggested adding time for Reconciliation and Mass as a part of the event. Evonne is willing to coordinate an event and would like others to join in the planning if they are interested in putting something together. Megan said she would be interested.

Janet brought up the idea of a book club.

CCW/CDA Christmas party: It is CCW's turn to host this event on December 6<sup>th</sup>. It will be a potluck event. Leanna will help Megan coordinate activities for the evening.

Dues letters: Karla is working on this. She is going to add some save the dates in the letter as well as information on the Diocesan Convention being held in April. The letters are being sent out in early October.

CCW 2022 National Convention is in Minneapolis November 2-5, 2022.

Church Directory: Karla asked Fr. Tony about this. First, we need to get a Business Administrator and include the four parishes. It will also need leaders to be in charge of it.

Closing Prayer led by Evonne.

Adjournment

NEXT Meeting: October 25, 2021

### **Dare to Be a Disciple**

As Disciples of the Lord, we strive to strengthen our Catholic faith by deepening our relationship with Jesus Christ through Love, Prayer and Service.