

## ADVOCACY AND CARING FOR CHILDREN Minutes for May 30, 2018 Board Meeting

The meeting was held at Piatti restaurant at 6pm and the prayer was a blessing before dinner said by all.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Patty Shepherd-Barns, Maureen Britt, Kate Szymanski, Barbara Easter, Mary Lou Wickwire, Gayle Kaplan, Deirdre Brownlow and Anne Read-Andersen

**MINUTES:** Approved as presented from the April meeting.

**TREASURERS REPORT:** Will be e-mailed to members.

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

- Thank you to Maureen Britt and Barbara Easter for their time on the board.
- Annual May Luncheon: The luncheon went well and was well attended. Sales of raffle tickets has been going down every year with the net being \$3,290.96 this year. All prizes have been distributed.
- Memorial Mass: We are on the list for the Archbishop in early November and it will be held at Our Lady of Fatima Parish.

### **NEW PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

- We will continue to have 2 evening meeting next year (Oct. & Apr.) with the remainder being at 10am.
- Bill Hallerman from CCS has offered to drive a van in September for the board to tour some of the centers that we provide grants for.
- It was discussed about forging a partnership with St. Vincent de Paul regarding housing. The idea will be pitched to ACC for support as it is important to develop new partnerships going forward.
- Identifying new circle prospects by setting up and manning tables at info/stewardship sessions at parishes.
- Labor of Love auction: Gayle has volunteered to be chair for next year but will need a co-chair. Deirdre has been a rock but can't be responsible for all of the tasks that need to be done in order to make it a success. The idea of getting more bidders from out of the area by donating gifts cards was suggested. Also, Native American and collectible items have sold well in the past.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- **Advocacy:** Children's Alliance is holding its luncheon June 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:30
- **Membership:** Deirdre is introducing an app called Groopit. She will be able to post pictures and pass on info to keep members up to date about meetings as well as celebrate our impact. This app makes it easier to disseminate info and members will also be able to participate.
- **Nominating Committee:** There are a few positions open.

**Next meeting (Fall orientation) will be Sep. 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am at Catholic Community Services**