

Minutes ACC Board meeting (virtual)

October 14, 2021

Attendees- Heidi Bruch, Mary Roddy, Helen Santucci, Erin Manca, Maureen Britt, Stephanie Read, Gayle Kaplan, Cecilia Keith, Marilyn Price

President Helen Santucci began the meeting with a prayer especially written for meetings.

The **minutes** of the September 9, 2021 meeting were approved as distributed by Marilyn Price, secretary.

Treasurer Mary Roddy sent the August and September 2021 reports via email. Her continuation as Treasurer of ACC was unanimously voted and affirmed by the Board Members. Thank you, Mary for all your work.

President's Report-

The Fundraising plan from all Circles is due to the office by October 31 and Membership dues should be in by November 30. Circle Officers names and membership updates should be sent to the office as soon as possible.

For this year the consensus is that funds raised by Celebrate the Children will go to the checking account so that all grant requests may be fully funded during this difficult time of the Pandemic.

Circle updates-

The Father Thomas Lane Circle will be Inactive this year.

The Irene Hanley Circle will now be Inactive.

Thank you to both of those Circles for all your present and past contributions to ACC.

Cathie Fowler is the new President of the Katie McKay Circle.

CALENDARS-

The calendars have arrived and are in the process of distribution to the various circle treasurers. We have about 275 pre-orders. More calendars may be obtained from the Office or Marilyn Price

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Committee and Circle Business-

Celebrate the Children Event-

Erin Manca and Gayle Kaplan reported that the final version of the video has been completed and they are pleased with it. The virtual event will take place from October 20-November 5. Everyone is asked to get the word out to circle members, friends and family. Letters will be sent to people who don't use online opportunities. The Goal this year is to raise \$125,000 as well as ACC awareness.

Membership-

It is hoped that we will be able to have a Spring Membership Party.

Memorial Mass-

Maureen Britt reminded us that the Mass will take place at 11am on November 4 at Our Lady of Fatima parish in Magnolia. Father Brad Hagelin will officiate. Unfortunately, there will be no luncheon following the Mass due to the pandemic. The Mass will be streamed so that it can be seen from home for those who are unable to attend. Heidi has contacted all the Circles for names of members who have passed away in the last two years.

Spouses who have died will be remembered in the Prayers of the Faithful.

Grant Funding Review Committee

Stephanie Read reported that 9 agencies have requested grants totaling \$90,000. We have \$65,000 from the general fund available and \$29,100 available from the Endowment (from 2020) to use for the 2021 Fall cycle. The Committee will meet in the last week of October to make its recommendations on funding.

Circle Events-

Bulb Sale- Katherine Meloy circle and Frances Hoffman circles report that they are almost sold out.

Pie Sale- On October 23 the St. Bridget circle will distribute the pies that have been ordered.

Candle Sale- Josephine McDermott circle has order forms for the scented candles on the ACC website.

Wreath Sale- Marjorie Ryan Circle- Gayle Kaplan reports that the price will remain the same at \$25. And the deadline will not be as early this year. They may also sell garlands.

The next meeting will be on November 11 at 10am. (Virtual)

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Price, Secretary