

ACC Board Meeting Minutes – October 2025

October 8, 2025

ACC Board Meeting at ACC 10:00am – 11:30am Remote via Microsoft Teams

Meeting Attendees:

Linda Bowers ACC President
Glynis Carrosino ACC Secretary
Mary Roddy ACC Treasurer
Heidi Bruch ACC Programs and Operations Manager
Erin Henderson; Maureen Moreton; Stephanie Read; Maureen Britt; Laurie Grothe; MK Rodgers

The meeting was called to order by ACC President Linda Bowers. Linda conducted the opening prayer.

1. Approval of September 11, 2025, Board meeting minutes:
 - a. Approved by the Board this October 8, 2025, Board Meeting.
2. Treasurer Report: Mary Roddy
 - a. Financials: Mary reported on the ACC September Balance Sheet (as of September 20, 2025). Cash balance \$220,000
 - b. Not much activity this year to date. No dues, etc yet. The September Luncheon did not have a fundraising goal. Approximately 70 attendees.
 - c. Mary discussed a 2024 CD which ended recently. It was earning 4.15 % interest but rolled to the standard 0.4. Mary recommends placing the monies into a money market account.
 - d. Endowment Fund is currently at \$1,820,000.
 - e. The Fall Grant amount to disperse could again be \$225,000.
 - f. Linda Bowers queried whether electronic transfers of money could be set up – rather than checks. Heidi will look further into this option.
3. President's Report: Linda Bowers
 - a. Linda gave an overview of the September ACC Annual Luncheon.
 - ACC Volunteer Extraordinaire was Sue Richardson
 - All Board members attended except for Glynis Carrosino, who was traveling.
 - 70 attendees. Board wants to focus on increasing the number for next year.
 - b. The Board Meeting schedule for 2025/2026 has been determined. The meetings are a combination of in-person and online. The schedule:
 - September 2025 In-person (Annual Luncheon)
 - October 2025 Online
 - November 2025 In-person
 - January 2026 Online
 - February 2026 In-person
 - March 2026 Online
 - April 2026 In-person
 - May 2026 In-person
 - June 2026 to be determined
 - c. Linda announced and welcomed the new ACC Circle: Pat Dixon Circle of Fatima Parish.

- d. Linda announced a second new ACC Circle (Sacred Heart Parish Bellevue) which does not yet have a name and will do a “soft start” for 2025/2026.
4. Christmas Drive: In need of a new Chair. Stephanie Read will step down but will co-chair with the new selection. Dec 2025 will have 35 additional families to serve.
 - a. Role of Chair:
 - Talk to Prepares (organization who selects the families) and obtain sponsors.
 - Last year: 250 families
 - Prepares to recruit family and per family member
 - Prepares share database with ACC to identify age gaps etc
 - ACC Circles might select a single family; or provide money.
 - Christmas Drive Chair must keep track of info, all gifts and find gaps
 - Prepares Agency is in St Edwards Parish
 - ACC provides volunteers to distribute gifts
 - Good activity for Circles that want to be hands on
 5. Communications: Heidi Bruch
 - a. Memorial Mass November 6 at Fatima Parish. Heidi needs to update list of everyone in Circles who passed away since last year.
 - b. Circle fundraising plans are due October 31.
 - c. Linda Bowers reminded that the new Circles – no stress and expectation for first year.
 - d. Labor of Love Auction will be held online October 20-27, 2025. Procurements are still needed.
 - e. Each member or Circle should donate \$50 or an item.
 - f. Heidi reaching out to individual Circles.
 6. Celebrate The Children:
 - a. February 6, 2025.
 - b. Several great live auction items have been procured. Example: Blue Apron Cooking Class; Sail gate on a boat to a Husky football game.
 - c. CTCV is still in need of vacation homes for live auction items.
 - d. Raffle: considering not conducting for better room flow
 - e. Option: silent auction. Not yet decided.
 7. Membership Report: Linda Van Hare/Sue Richards
 - a. have continued to be very busy and have confirmed two new Circles: new Fatima Parish Circle (Pat Dixon Circle); and the new Sacred Heart Parish Circle with no name yet.
 - b. A third new Circle is a possibility.
 - c. Linda and Sue also remind everyone to welcome people into current Circles.
 8. Grant Committee: Stephanie Read
 - a. Reviews to be conducted soon
 - b. List has been received from Heidi. 14 agencies have applied. Three are new.
 - c. Maintain criteria:
 - Catholic
 - The agency works with women and children
 - Each Circle has a representative to sit on committee

- Will remind the Chairs of the two new Circles.
- d. Grant committee will meet in early November to discuss reviews and select which agencies to receive grants.
- e. Linda Bowers asked if the greater ACC membership could receive the grant application packets for information purposes.

9. Upcoming Events:

- a. Bulb sale: in process and all information on the ACC Website. Online only order form
- b. Holiday Wreaths: upcoming and will also have all information on the ACC Website.
- c. October 15, 2025: Bingo 6:00-9:00 pm at St Louise Parish. Information is on the ACC website home page.

Next Board Meeting: Wed, November 12, 2025; ACC Board Room 10:00am – 11:30am

Submitted by: Glynis Carrosino, ACC Secretary