

Minutes ACC Board meeting (virtual)

September 9, 2021

Attendees- Heidi Bruch, Mindy Morgan, Helen Santucci, Maureen Britt, Tara O'Connor, Stephanie Read, Linda Bowers, Cynthia La Mothe, Cecilia Keith, Marilyn Price, JJ Horner

President Helen Santucci began the meeting with a lovely prayer.

The minutes of the May 13, 2021 meeting were approved as distributed by Marilyn Price.

Treasurer- M. Roddy was unable to attend the meeting, but we were given a written Balance Sheet and YTD Comparisons which will be discussed at the next meeting.

President's Welcome and Report-

Helen welcomed us back to our work for the children of Western Washington.

We are in need of a 1st Vice President and Helen welcomes suggestions from members and circle chairs.

We are reminded to submit our Circle's fund-raising plan for the year by Oct. 31, 2021.

Heidi will send the beginning of the year packets to the Circle chairs next week.

It was announced that the Fr. Thomas Lane Circle will no longer organize and run the pointsettia sale. This is a well-established fund raiser and another Circle is needed to volunteer to take it over. Judy Schroeder will provide the information needed for a new Circle. It was suggested that St. Terese Circle might be willing to do this project. An email will be sent to all Circle chairs requesting their help.

The Father Joseph Vogel has elected to be an Inactive Circle due to illnesses and inability to congregate as a Circle. They have already submitted their calendar order.

Election of Treasurer- Mary Roddy's term is complete. In order to extend Mary's term, we need a unanimous vote of the Board for an extension. There will be an email election ballot sent soon. Please respond promptly.

The Labor of Love online auction will take place February 4-14, 2022. More information available in November.

Communications/Calendars

Calendars-

Calendars will be received very soon in the office. Circles will be contacted to set up a pick-up time at the Office or arrangements can be made for delivery. We currently have orders for about 250 calendars.

Committee and Circle Business-

Celebrate the Children Event-

There will be a virtual celebration taking place from October 20-November 5. Tara is working on a new video for the CTC website. The fundraising goal this year will be \$125,000. Mindy Morgan hopes for 100% participation of all Circle members, last year we had about 50%. All Circle chairs will be called requesting this support. All ACC members are asked to submit names and email addresses of friends, family and others who might be interested in supporting ACC goals through a donation to the CTC.

Members of the committee are- Gayle Kaplan and Erin Manca, co-chairs, Helen Santucci, Patty Barnes, Deirdre Brownlow, Heidi Bruch, Sue Richards and Tara O'Connor. Thanks to all.

Membership Committee- Tara O'Connor

Circles are encouraged to contact Heidi for a copy of the new member profile which should then be sent to the Office upon completion. Work continues on increasing membership. Consult the ACC website for more information on membership. Suggestions and questions should go to tarademick@gmail.com

Memorial Mass- Maureen Britt

The Mass will take place at Our Lady of Fatima, Magnolia and will be hosted by the Katherine Meloy Circle on Thursday, November 4th at 11 am. Due to Covid, it

is doubtful that it will be followed by a lunch as it usually is. Pam O'Brien is chairing the event. Circle chairs are reminded to call the office with the names of members who have passed away since November 2019.

Funding for the honoraria will come from the ACC general fund.

Grant Funding Review Committee- Linda Bowers

It is likely that we will have enough funding for the Fall requests, thanks to the cushion provided by the Endowment Fund and successful fund-raising efforts.

Circle Events and Announcements-

Katherine Meloy circle members are busy bagging bulbs for their sale this Fall.

St. Bridget Circle will sell Remlinger Farms pies in October. Check the website for order sheets. Margie Rose asked for donations for a family she knows from Ethiopia. Donations can be sent to St. Bridget Parish.

Father Mychal Judge Circle hopes to host Cosmos for a Cause (live) in the Spring.

Anna Donohoe- Cynthia Lamothe reported that she has stepped in as chair and will try very hard to keep the Circle active. We all mourn Barbara Easter's passing.

Josephine McDermott- JJ Horner reported that her co-chair has become ill as well as another member of her Circle. Prayers are requested. They plan to have a candle sale and were encouraged to do so by several of the board members who are interested in being customers. They are also considering making refugee kits for Afghan refugees.

Important Dates-

October 14, 7:30pm next ACC Board Meeting (virtual)

October 20-November 5, Celebrate the Children (virtual)

November 4, 11am Memorial Mass at Our Lady of Fatima, Magnolia

May 12, 2022, 11am Annual Spring Luncheon and Meeting, Sand Point Country Club

Respectfully submitted, Marilyn Price, Secretary