

Women of Pax Leadership Board Meeting
Thursday, March 2, 2017
Pax Christi Catholic Church

The Women of Pax Leadership Board met at 6:30 pm on Thursday, March 2, at Pax Christi Church. This meeting was originally scheduled for February 23, but postponed until today because of schedule conflicts. The following people were in attendance: MJ Jones, Gail Keidl, Mary Mataitis, Carol O'Connor, and Sandy Timm. Joyce Lehman arrived before the end of the meeting.

MJ Jones led us in an opening prayer.

Minutes: Mary Mataitis presented the minutes from the January 26 meeting. They were approved as presented.

The financial report: Gail presented the financial report for the month. On January 26, our balance was \$5852.43. She reimbursed the leader of the Rosary Makers \$111.99 for supplies on January 26. We had no expenses for February. We received interest on checking of \$1.24. We received stipends of \$300 for funerals on January 30 and February 4. The current balance is \$6041.68. The financial report is attached to the end of these minutes.

Updates

KC Lenten Fish Bake

The first of the Knights of Columbus and the Men's Club Lenten Fish Bakes is tomorrow night, March 3. We are not directly involved but Mary reported that several women responded to an email requesting help with set-up, serving and clean-up. The Knights are planning to do three dinners only, on March 3, March 17, and March 31.

February 7 Meeting: We had 49 people at the Food Safety Training at our meeting on February 7. Although some were repeat attendees, Mary reported that we now have 94 people who have received training.

Planning Meeting for Retirement Celebration for Father Fogal: MJ reported that she and Mary had attended a second meeting on Monday, February 23, to continue planning a retirement celebration for Father. The committee decided to serve brats and hot dogs only, no burgers. This will be easier and at least 500 people are expected to attend. The WOP will plan for vegetable trays and desserts and help with the meal planning and serving. Another meeting will be held on March 23 and more information will be shared after that meeting.

March 7 Meeting: We reviewed our plans for the March meeting at which Regina Mustafa, director of Community Interfaith Dialogue with Islam (CIDI), will do a presentation. Joyce suggested using our two white boards and writing "Similarities" and "Differences" on them. As the evening progresses, they could be completed. She also said she will also bring a "Catholic Perspective on Islam" brochure that Fr. Joe approved. Since this will be a joint meeting with the Men's Club, they will provide pizza and we will bring desserts or appetizers. Since Ms Mustafa is legally blind, MJ will provide transportation for her. We decided last month to give a \$125 donation to the CIDI. Gail will bring a check for her to the meeting.

April 4 Meeting: We decided to use the April meeting to plan for Father Joe's housewarming party on May 2. Mary contacted Pat Liffrig and Sheila Frank from Saints Peter and Paul in Mazeppa and extended an invitation to their women to be part of our party. They may have someone from their parish come to the planning meeting. MJ said she would like to have people go to separate tables to brainstorm what we would like to do for various aspects of the party: food, decorations, entertainments. One of us would be at each table taking note. We also want to provide time for people to look at Father Joe's registry and discuss the possibility of going together on gifts. We will provide multiple copies of the registry.

May 2 Meeting: We will do a Housewarming Party for Father Joe. We discussed how we wanted to handle the process of opening gifts. Mary agreed to talk to Father Joe and get his input about this process. We do not want him to feel obligated to write thank you notes for the gifts. Perhaps we can collect email addresses for him to do a group thank you. Another option would be a bulletin notice. We decided to present a gift from his registry to Father Joe at the party. We decided on his cookware set; Mary agreed to purchase it.

June 6 Meeting: We decided in January to continue the tradition of ending our year with our group praying the Rosary at our Pax grotto. This is especially appropriate this year since it is the 100th anniversary of Fatima. MJ contacted Terese Horlocker who agreed to do a presentation for us that night. Mary noted that Family Promise will be at Pax that week and we will need to be aware of their presence. MJ suggested that if we do an ice cream social again at the beginning of our meeting, the families could be invited to join us.

New Business:

- Future meeting ideas. Sandy reported that she had talked to Stephen Rose and he is willing to lead us in creating a small canvas painting for each participant. If he is available on October 3, we will have that as our first program for the year.
- Joyce said that the Ministry Weekend in the fall will be on the second weekend of September (September 9-10). That will be a donut Sunday and Joyce plans to set up in the hallway and dining room so people have to walk by the displays on their way to get donuts.
- In January, we had discussed purchasing more water/punch pitchers to be used for WOP events such as the tea. Mary had researched the price through WebRestaurant. A 60-ounce pitcher will cost \$1.85 each if purchased in boxes of 12. Shipping will cost \$7.50. She was authorized to make that purchase.

Next Board Meeting

We decided we did not need to meet again at our regularly scheduled meeting on March 23. Therefore, our next leadership board meeting is scheduled for April 27.

The meeting adjourned with a prayer at 8:25 pm.

Mary Mataitis
Secretary

Women of Pax Financial Report
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January 26, 2016	Income	Expenses	
Starting balance			5852.43
Expense		111.99	5740.44
Interest on checking	1.24		5741.68
Funeral Stipends	300		6041.68
Balance March 2, 2017			6041.68