

**Women of Pax Leadership Board Meeting**  
**Thursday, September 20, 2018**  
**Pax Christi Catholic Church**

The Women of Pax Leadership Board met at 6:30 pm on Thursday, September 20, at Pax Christi Church. The meeting was interrupted at 7:00 pm by a storm warning. It was continued the following day, September 21. The following people were in attendance: MJ Jones, Gail Keidl, Joyce Lehman, Mary Mataitis, and Carol O'Connor.

MJ Jones led us in an opening prayer.

**Minutes:** Mary Mataitis presented the minutes from the May 24 meeting. They were approved as presented.

**The financial report:** Gail Keidl presented the financial report for the month. On May 24, 2018, our balance was \$5063.36. Deposits consisted of interest of \$3.91 and one funeral stipend of 100. Expenses included \$522.28 for the SVdP hygiene bags the ice cream served at the June meeting, a \$500 donation to the Grotto Gardeners to be used for repairs to the water feature, a \$50 gift to Father Fasnacht, and a \$50 donation to Lumen Christi for food for their retreat. We received interest income of \$3.91 for the past four months. Our current balance is \$4044.99. A detailed account of income and expenses is found at the end of the minutes.

### **Updates**

- ◆ The June meeting was well attended and we were able to donate many hygiene packs to Saint Vincent de Paul.
- ◆ During the meeting, Pauline Varley told us that the Grotto would be on the Rochester Garden Tour on July 14. We voted to donate \$500 to the Grotto Gardeners to assist with the repair of the water feature.

### **Summer Activities**

- ◆ On August 1, Mary received a phone call from Sandy Gunderson wondering if we would be willing to contribute money to assist them to provide food for the Lumen Christi Life in the Spirit retreat on August 17-19. After Mary met with them and discussed their needs, she suggested that we donate \$50 to this effort. We voted by email and agreed to this amount.
- ◆ On August 23, we received a request from Father Thompson asking if the Women of Pax, Men of Pax, and the Knights of Columbus would be willing to support one of the three seminarians from Pax, by providing a \$500 gift once per semester. We voted via email and agreed to do this. Gail has received the name of the seminarian whom we will support and will send him a check.

### **Meeting**

- ◆ MJ explained that she wanted a better idea of how much money we earned each year and how that money was spent. Gail provided a copy of our financial reports showing our income and expenditures. MJ created a spread sheet showing the categories of our income and expenses. Our major expenditures have been Christmas gifts to priest and parish staff, expenses for the Advent Retreat, Confirmation Reception, and Chari-Tea, and donations. After discussion we made two decisions:

- ▶ The gifts we give at Christmas account for a significant percent of our income. We decided that in the future we will give gifts to our retired priests only and show our appreciation to other staff and priests in another way.
- ▶ We need to create a budget that provides guidelines for our expenditures. A committee to establish a budget will be formed. Gail, MJ, and Carol will meet in early 2019 and create a budget.
- ◆ MJ announced that she plans to resign as president of the WOP at the end of December of this year. She said that she will continue to be involved in our activities, but she no longer wants the responsibilities of leadership.

### **Future Events**

- ◆ **Rosary Coast to Coast** will be on Sunday October 7 is the Rosary Coast to Coast. MJ has discussed this with the Men's Club and the Knights. All members of Pax Christi are invited to meet at the Grotto for a communal recitation of the Rosary at 3PM. Mary will send a note to everyone on our WOP list inviting them to join us. Joyce will reserve McCauley Hall for that day in case of rain. She will also put a notice in the September 30<sup>th</sup> bulletin. MJ discussed this with Father Will and he approves.
- ◆ **Birthright Shower** - October meeting: We decided in April to move our October meeting to October 16 because Family Promise will be at Pax on our usual date. After discussion, we decided to do a Shower to help stock the Birthright closet. Joyce will contact Birthright and prepare a poster to advertise this and an insert for the church bulletin. Mary will enlist bakers to provide refreshments. Joyce will ask Father about collecting items in church before Masses. Joyce will contact Teresa Gannon and Julie Viet and see if they are interested in planning party games.
- ◆ **Advent Retreat**: Mary reported that the first Saturday in December is not available this year. November 17 is available. December 8 is also available but that is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception which might not be ideal. Mary will ask Beth Kosta if she is willing to coordinate again. We will pick date based on Beth response.
- ◆ The first Tuesday in November is election day. McCauley Hall will be used for voting. We decided to not have meeting in November.
- ◆ December meeting will be joint with the Men of Pax. They will provide pizza while we bring other items. Students from the Lourdes High School music department will perform.

Our next WOP Board meeting is scheduled on October 25. We also have a meeting scheduled for November 15 since the fourth Thursday is Thanksgiving. We may decide not to meet on either or both days.

The meeting adjourned with a prayer at 11:00 am.

Mary Mataitis  
Secretary

**Women of Pax Financial Report  
Thursday ,September 20-21, 2018**

<b>Thursday, May 24, 2018</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Expenses</b>	
Starting balance			5063.36
Interest on checking May-August	3.91		5067.27
Funeral Stipend	100		5167.27
Purchase of supplies for SvdP hygiene packs plus ice cream for meeting		522.28	4644.99
Donation to Grotto Garden		500	4144.99
Farewell Gift to Father Fasnacht		50	4094.99
Donation to Lumen Christi for Retreat food		50	4044.99
<b>Balance September 20, 2018</b>			<b>4044.99</b>

Meeting dates for this year:

October 16

November - no meeting (Election Day, Nov. 6)

December 4 - Lourdes concert with the Men of Pax

January - no meeting (New Year's Day, Jan.1)

February 5

March 5

April 2

May 7

June 4