

Madison Diocese Council of Catholic Women  
Summer Board Meeting: Tuesday, July 21, 2105  
Sacred Hearts Parish, Sun Prairie, WI

1. Meeting was called to order at 9:05 am by Rosa Ropers.
2. Opening Prayer to Our Lady of Good Counsel was led by Mary Stasek, Spirituality Chair.
3. Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by Mary Stasek.
4. Agenda was adopted and approved as revised. MDCCW Directory is being updated and was passed around the room for editing and approval.
5. Minutes to the 6/16/ 2015. Kathy Loy was added to the roll call. Carol explained a 5 part program, "Follow Me, Called to Serve, Chosen to Lead." Minutes approved as updated.

Minutes for Wednesday, 6/17/15. Mary Stasek. Minutes revised and approved.

6. Officer's Report

- A. President Rosa Ropers gave a report on and Introduction to NCCW which is striving to get more members and to move inactive parishes back to active status. Father Dom will sell Hot Chocolate as a fund raiser at the National Convention to raise money. In a previous fundraiser \$4,800. was raised selling cookbooks to raise money to support Jean Kelly.
- B. Caps of Love has ended the program. Fifteen specialized Wheelchairs were purchased.
- C. Fall Vicariate Meetings: Rosa issued a challenge to all Vicariates to increase their attendance by 10 people.  
Jefferson will begin with registration at 4:45  
Sauk will begin with registration at 2:30 to 7 pm.  
Columbia North and West Dane have not scheduled times
- D. "Stop Hunger Now" is active in many parishes and in need of volunteers.
- E. Leadership programs will be available in the future.
- F. Technology Update: Catholic Women Magazine should be received by officers, commission chairs. One copy for each.
- G. October is Domestic Violence Month. Distribute White ribbons in your parish.
- H. Day of Renewal: October 11, 2015 is co-sponsored by MDCCW and MCWC.
- I. Cross International donations should be given to MDCCW treasurer.

B. Treasurer's Report was given by Ellen Martin for Joan Slate.

Beginning Balance:	\$8,494.83	
Income :	\$3,494.00	
Expenses:	<u>\$3,997.07</u>	
Ending Balance:	\$7,991.76	Savings: \$918.27

Offertory Collection from Convention totaled \$431.00 for the Donkey Project. Carol Brennan made a motion that MDCCW treasury donate funds necessary to round that sum up to a \$500 donation to the Donkey Project. Motion seconded and approved.

Motion was made by Lynn Geitz to reimburse Carol Brennan \$98.68 for printing costs and Coreen Marklein \$50. for the Leadership Workshops. Motion seconded and approved.

C. Other Correspondence:

Kim Wadas sent a Thank You for MDCCW participation at Catholics at the Capital.

Fr. Scott Emerson sent a Thank you

Jean Kelly , Monsignor Duane, Rita Macewicz, and Ellen Martin sent Thank You notes.

J. NCCW attendees who receive financial assistance from MDCCW must submit a written report to MDCCW.

## 7. Reports of Committees

A. MDCCW Convention Report by Chairs Linda Ripp and Joan Pregler.

1. Evaluation by chairs and attendees: There were 110 attendees. Evaluations: 32 for Wednesday and 22 for Tuesday Wednesday. Most evaluations were very favorable. Many noted the good guest speaker. Thank you notes should be sent to Bishop Morlino and St. Bernard's.

2 MDCCW's obligation to the Host Vicariate:

MDCCW should pay presenters and do the Public Relations. Contact each parish secretary and get notices in all the bulletins.

3. Host vicariate's obligation to MDCCW discussion

Host vicariate will pay for speaker, booklet, food, entertainment out of registration funds.

B. MDCCW Convention-Changing format for future years.

Coreen Marklein had a meeting via conference call. Discussion was made about making the convention a one day convention and having the board meeting on Tuesday and calling it the Annual Meeting. Many noted that basically that is what it is with board meeting on Tuesday and the banquet on Tuesday evening. Perhaps the Tuesday and Wednesday board meetings could be combined.

C. Recommendations for Columbia North Vicarate who will host in 2016:

The committee recommended lowering the fee next year for Tuesday which was \$35. this year but keeping the fee for Wednesday the same at \$35. It was also suggested that we have no vendors on Tuesday or none at all and just displays for Commissions. Scholarships for next year were discussed but not approved. It was also noted that the Convention should not be making a profit but that is difficult to control. It is recommended that MDCCW appoint someone for Public Relations next year. The MDCCW Public Relations should highlight the speakers. If Tuesday is kept as a 2 day Convention then a summary of Tuesday's meeting would be given on Wednesday.

8. Ordination Reception Carol Brennan, Coreen Marklein and Karen Villwock

It was suggested that disposable containers be purchased to distribute leftover food. There were lots of bars and most did not have nuts which were not wanted. It was also suggested that there be more sausage trays. The reception did not begin until 10:00 pm so maybe more people would have come to the reception if it had been earlier. The evening ran very late until 2:00 a.m. Six priests were ordained. Pictures of the reception were sent to NCCW. Carol Brennan submitted a bill for \$62.74 to the treasurer. There were \$635. in donations. We need to send thank you notes to the Knights of Columbus.

9. Discussion of "favorite charities" to support yearly. We have \$2,000. budgeted for charity for the next two years.

- A. Donation to Diocesan: MDCCW gave \$500. to "Priests for the Future Campaign." It was also suggested that a scholarship be given for Catholic education. Camp Grey was also suggested as a worthy cause.
- B. National: In the past donations have been given to NCCW for debt relief.
- C. International: MDCCW has given donations in the past to the Donkey Projects  
It was also suggested that CRS and Cross International be considered for donations this year.
- D. Ellen Martin gave the following report: MDCCW custodial funds given in 2014 were \$11,532.01 and for 2015 were \$13,647.
- E. A Works of Charity Committee was appointed: Ellen Martin, Lynn Geitz, Bernadette Schaeffer. A report will be given at the November meeting.

10. Other Business

- A. Day of Renewal will be October 12th with Madison Catholic Women's Club.  
If you are bringing baked goods please notify Lucy Kipley or Rosa Ropers.
- B. A 3 fold Display board will be purchased for \$143.
- C. The question of Pro-rated NCCW Dues for smaller parishes was discussed.

11. Web Page: Karen Grumman

- A. All commission reports and minutes should be sent to Karen Gramman electronically.  
([kgramann@gramannndesign.com](mailto:kgramann@gramannndesign.com))
- B.. Newsletter and Catholic Herald vicariate information should go to Jane Grinde electronically as well as pictures. ([janegrinde@gmail.com](mailto:janegrinde@gmail.com))

Meeting was adjourned at 11:55 by Rosa Ropers, President