

**YUBA-SUTTER RIGHT TO LIFE COMMITTEE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
475 D So Barrett, Yuba City CA 95991
April 5, 2006**

PRESENT: Mike Gabhart, John Guth, Maureen Guth

ABSENT: Chuck Page, Miriam Page

Maureen reported that she restocked the documents at the Church and that she ordered 100 pamphlets called "Abortion and Contraception".

CALL TO ORDER/OPENING PRAYER:

The meeting was **called to order by Maureen** at 7:18 p.m. John led the opening prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Minutes were approved with the one correction that the reference to Father Paul should be instead to Father Pol, which stands for Polycarp.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Maureen gave the Treasurer's report that there had been a \$360 deposit today, mostly in response to the last newsletter requesting people to redo their membership. There is \$2,582 in the bank and all bills have been paid.

The proposed letter to Chris Reyna, the principal of St. Isidore School was read and approved. Maureen will mail it to him. A copy will be attached to these Minutes.

The Board next discussed the small billboards that are proposed to be placed at the Arlington's home in District 10 and at Mallen Automotive in Yuba City. John advised that Leslie Greenitz was willing and able to paint a permanent sign on a 4x8 wooden board that could be placed at the Arlington's. However, she will be gone for two extended trips during the summer and would have to accomplish the board within the next weeks. Due to uncertainty as to what we really want her to paint and the availability of the vinyl signs, it was decided to not have Leslie paint a sign at this time but perhaps at a later date. John agreed to call Leslie and ask her if she would be willing to do a sketch of the ideas that he had discussed with her.

The Board members agreed upon 5 potential vinyl signs. Maureen will talk to the Mallen's and to the Arlington's to try to narrow the choices down further and make sure that these choices are acceptable to them. We are looking at one sign for the Mallen's and probably two signs to be placed on either side of the board at the Arlington's.

The Board next discussed Mike and the three ladies giving a presentation to the Deanery. Kathy Conner has suggested to Maureen that she call Father Leon and ask for the opportunity to give a short presentation to just introduce the topic. Kathy thought that the maximum they would allow would be 10 to 15 minutes. Chuck will check with Father Polycarp to see if the Lincoln Church is in the St. Isidore Deanery. Maureen will check the Dioceses web page to see if she can tell what churches are in the St. Isidore Deanery, and then call Father Leon. If the Lincoln Church is in the Deanery then Mike

will approach Father Polycarp to see if he would intercede.

The application for a booth at the Yuba Sutter Fair has been received. It was unanimously agreed to submit the applications as soon as possible. This year the Fair will be from August 2 through August 6.

The Board discussed the general meeting scheduled for April 30th. Mike reported that all three of the ladies will be attending and that Kathy wanted to bring a few additional people. We have the hall reserved from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

It is anticipated that we will spend 15 minutes on general introduction and brief report on the status of the Right to Life group and we will make a plea for new board members and other involvement. We will make sure everyone has a form to complete at the end indicating any interest in either the post-abortion ministry, the Board, working at the Fair booth or any other aspects of our ministry. Mike and the three ladies will have about an hour and 15 minutes for their presentation and will offer to stay around afterwards to continue the dialog with anyone who is interested.

The Board generally agreed that the last newsletter was exceptionally well done and offered their appreciation to Miriam for her efforts in this regard.

Maureen mentioned some recent articles, one of which reported that countries such as Poland that had less abortion also had a lower death rate than countries that had legalized and more opportunity for abortion such as in Russia. She also reported that the Australian pharmaceutical industry has rejected the RU 486 abortion pill because it is controversial and they do not want that type of controversy in their country. She also reported that it has been said that Catholics who claim to be pro-choice are actually promoting a heresy in taking that position.

Chuck Page's father, who died last Sunday, was remembered in the opening prayer and throughout the meeting. The meeting was closed with a final prayer. Our continued prayers and best wishes are extended to Chuck, Miriam, Chuck's mother and the rest of the family.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN L. GUTH
Temporary Secretary