Yuba Sutter Right to Life Board Meeting Minutes: November 7, 2007

Present: Maureen Guth & John Guth
Mary Anne Brayton

Guests: Chuck and Miriam Page
Heather and Michael Pugh

Dr. Michael Gabhart

Maureen called the meeting to order at 7:09 pm.

Maureen restocked the brochures in the vestibule of the church.

John said the opening prayer.

John moved and Mike seconded approval of the minutes from the October 3, 2007 Board Meeting.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: John reported \$1952.00 in checking with a deposit for \$100.00 to be made. We have not paid the Catholic Herald \$87.00 for our advertisement. Sister Eileen inquired whether Fr. Francisco considers the YSRTL group a St. Isidore's ministry with respect to the advertisement in the Catholic Herald. Fr. Francisco acknowledged that YSRTL is a St. Isidore's ministry.

<u>Contribution for Mary Hunt's Book</u>: The contribution to help with the editing expenses for Mary Hunt's book has not been made. Mary has had surgery and has recovered however she had more surgery yesterday. We will contact her regarding our contribution when she resumes her work on her book.

Embracing our Dying: The "Embracing Our Dying" video dealing with end of life issues is available from the Diocese according to John. He has reviewed the video and would like to ask Fr. Francisco if YRSTL could present it to our Parish in the future.

<u>Petition to cancel SB 777</u>: The petition to cancel this Bill has until 11/15/07 to gather enough signatures for the February, 2008 ballot according to Chuck.

Heather & Mike Pugh asked to join the YSRTL Board of Directors: Heather & Mike accepted the Boards invitation. Heather will write the "YSRTL Newsletter" and Mike will manage the "YSRTL Website." Chuck formally transferred responsibility for the website to Mike and Miriam formally transferred responsibility for the Newsletter to Heather. Chuck transferred the binders for back-up data including passwords; Purehost server transferred to Mike P. The server renewal costs \$218.00 per year (go into billing support to renew domain). The search engine renewal will occur in August. We will receive a bill for this service. This will be officially transferred to Mike P. The weekly report on statistics and hits on the website needs a user ID and password which will be transferred to Mike. This information is reported at each Board Meeting. The host server billing is still in Chuck's name. This cost is billed annually and will be billed directly to Maureen. The search engine cost is \$249.00/year. This service was only used 18 times in 3 months. This service renews in July. This service allows us to do a word search on the website. The Pico search engine is the cheapest at \$100.00/year. Mike P. commented that the more information on the website the more valuable is the search engine. This service will be reevaluated in the Spring and a search engine will be selected that best meets our needs.

Bus Stop Advertisements & Billboards: Three signs each cost \$115.00/month. The contract time is one year. The cheapest is \$4,140.00, with a minimum of 3 signs. The consensus was this was too much money. Heather checked the locations of roadside signs. Reed Road and Hwy 99 was the best location. Maureen spoke with John Scribner. One location was \$275.00/month and 2 locations was \$475.00/month. They can produce the poster for \$140.00 and the graphics can be done for \$25.00. Heritage House posters are \$135.00 for one poster and \$125.00 each for two posters. The sign at the Mallen's location has copyrighted graphics – but the verse is not copyrighted: "One heart stops another heart breaks". Maureen commented that a smaller version total cost for posters and posting \$750.00 for 2 (size: 5 ft X 11 ft). The location for the 30 sheet size only at the Chico, Oroville, Paradise or Gridley out of our area. CBS – charge for posting full size without non-profit is around \$600. We must make our decision by next week. STOTT – smaller sign less expensive, but placement with multiple signs. Maureen will check on this and email each of us for our vote. Sperbeck's has placed their Pro-life sign on Hwy 99. Pam Slattery and Marion McCarthy have agreed to put up signs.

<u>Life Chain – 2007</u>: The picture of Fr. Francisco, Brother Michael and Fr. Ambrose has been put on the website.

<u>Parish Meeting</u>: All ministries and YSRTL made reports. Fr. Francisco commented that he will try to attend the West Coast Walk for Life – San Francisco in January. A new sign was discussed for the Walk this year. The new sign will be put on the back of our current sign. It will say "Yuba – Sutter – Colusa Right to Life" at a cost of \$50.00 - \$60.00.

West Coast Walk for Life – San Francisco 01/19/2008: Bus to be arranged by Mike G. There will be 2 buses. One will be for Hispanic participants. Mike commented that he highly recommends everyone see the movie "Bella." Maureen will put up posters for the "Walk for Life in the vestibule of the church. Mike handed out extra copies of the poster so we can assist in advertising this event. The fare will be \$20.00 - \$25.00. Make checks to YSRTL. Bottled water will be available but each participant should bring a bag lunch. Maureen suggested we distribute Bracelets and "Precious Feet" to each participant. We will share our cell phone numbers so we will be accessible throughout the trip to avoid anyone getting lost or left behind. The buses hold about 40 - 56 riders each. Cliff Peterson will again be our "Bus Captain." Heather requested that we try to have the 01/19/2007 Lay Formation Class at St. Isidore's changed in order to allow anyone planning to take this class to go on the Walk for Life. Mike G will call Kathy Conner.

<u>40 Days for Life</u>: Maureen, Heather and Miriam attended this in Sacramento. See the website for pictures.

YSRTL Newsletter: There will be a letter contributed by Maureen; a "40 days for Life" story; announcement for the "West Coast Walk for Life in San Francisco" on 01/19/2008; the Prayer Breakfast and Rally 01/22/2008; and a note about the YSRTL signs around town as well as their respective addresses. Miriam will give Heather the updated address for PIP Printing; all electronic and email lists as well as our mailing list for the Newsletter. Chuck will email Mike P our email list. Mike & Heather Pugh's email: 18HLP68@SBCglobal.net Chuck commented that he may do another radio station interview. He will give a lecture at Faith-Christian High School on the Catholic Faith. Fr. Francisco gave him permission.

Mike G. gave us a closing prayer and we all participated.

Maureen adjourned the meeting at 9:00 pm.