

**YUBA-SUTTER RIGHT TO LIFE COMMITTEE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
St. Isidore's Parish Hall
September 3, 2008**

**BOARD MEMBERS
PRESENT:**

**Maureen Guth
Mary Anne Brayton
Michael Pugh**

**John Guth
Heather Pugh
Michael Gabhart**

GUESTS PRESENT:

Fr. Francisco of St. Isidore's Parish

OLD BUSINESS:

Maureen stated she restocked the brochures and prayer cards in the church.

CALL TO ORDER:

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

OPENING PRAYER:

Mike Gabhart led the opening prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was m/s/c to approve the minutes of July 2, 2008.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

John reported we have \$923 in the bank with no deposits pending. John advised we did receive \$1,426 from the Diocese of Sacramento and another \$481 in donations during the last two months. He also stated that \$456 was spent for a new 22" Samsung Television to be used during the fair.

LEGISLATION:

Maureen read an email that she received from Kathy Goodnight regarding Sarah's Law updates (she can no longer do it). Heather gave an update on AB2747, which is on Governor Schwarzenegger's desk to be signed or vetoed. She also gave an update on AB2262 – the Child Protection Safe Surrender bill has passed the Senate and is on to the Assembly.

WEBSITE UPDATE:

Mike Pugh reported 1,676 visits to the website in July and 1,541 visits to the website in August, with an average of 54/50 visits per day respectively. A handout showing the top pages viewed was given to those present with the top pages being our Directory, the Yuba-Sutter Fair, freezing embryos, the September of 2005 Newsletter, and A Woman's Friend Walk for Life of 2008.

PRIESTS FOR LIFE:

Maureen asks if there is any unfinished business with regards to the Priests for Life event held in early August or if there were any outstanding bills to be paid for the event. Heather answers that all business is finished and all bills are paid.

NEW MEDIA & LITERATURE:

The request for free pro-life literature from Focus on the Family was re-sent by Maureen as they advised they did not receive the first request.

SPEAKERS BUREAU:

Maureen asked Mary Anne if she thinks YLI would like us to do a talk/presentation since YLI's focus for this year is of a pro-life nature. Mary Anne will check with the President of YLI.

CONTRACEPTION CD PROJECT:

Mike Gabhart discussed his Humanae Vitae conference experience. He stated he has about 5 CD's to copy and distribute to the board, Fr. Francisco, Gretchen Marsh and David Bradley so that we may listen to them and discuss getting one of them out to our faith community.

YUBA-SUTTER FAIR:

Maureen passed out a page with comments from our fair booth for the board to read at a later time. Our booth collected \$171 in donations during the fair. Maureen wrote a thank you note to Mike Gabhart's niece for the work she did on the quiz box, as well as to Bud French for donating the carpet for our booth.

VINYL SIGNS/BILLBOARDS:

Maureen met with Mike Sperbeck regarding the sign was gave him to put up at his business. Mr. Sperbeck told Maureen that Caltrans owns the cyclone fence and he was told he could not post the sign there. Sperbeck's has another fence on which to hang the sign, but it doesn't get the same amount of traffic. Mr. Sperbeck will hang the sign on a small fence going into their nursery. The board decides to leave the sign at Sperbeck's for now, but if a better location comes up, we will see about moving the sign.

Heritage House "dropped the ball" on printing the sign for our billboard. CBS will put up 1 billboard now as soon as they receive the papers from Heritage House and store the second one for us. Heritage House, as a result of their mistake, sent us a \$200 gift certificate. Maureen called and told them she thought we were getting a check. They will instead cancel the gift certificate and issue a check for us.

Maureen checked in to the billboard owned by Richard's Tree Service on Hwy 99 at Oswald. The fee is \$1,000 per month, which is out of our price range.

NEWSLETTER:

Heather discussed an article she wrote for the September Newsletter about women using a prescription drug to self-abort. The board is in favor of pulling that article for fear of women using the information to self-abort. [Editor's note: After reading the article, the board recommends to instead remove the name of the drug used because the information contained in the article is pertinent and worth printing.]

Maureen stated that PIP printing offers a printing grant. She applied 3-4 years ago and it was granted, but has not since applied. She will apply for the grant this year.

MISCELLANEOUS:

John stated that he received an invitation from the Pacific Justice Institute for their October 18th banquet. The price is \$150 per person. John and Maureen will be at a wedding and are unable to attend, so if anyone on the board is interested in attending, they may get the invitation from John.

Maureen passed out a stack of documents for all board members to review later.

Maureen would like to do a bulletin and mass announcement for the October 5th Life Chain.

The Catholic Herald left a message with Maureen regarding YSRTL placing an ad in their paper. Discussion ensued about whether or not placing an ad would be of benefit. John moves we not do it and both Mikes second the motion.

The Truth Booth DVD is played and can be purchased for \$15. Maureen suggested we solicit donations from our email distribution list as the cost of the booth is \$3,000 and we will need some monthly pledges to fund the monthly fee from the mall for the booth space.

Fr. Francisco announced that the first Sacramento Rachel's Vineyard in Spanish will be at the end of September.

ADJOURNMENT/CLOSING PRAYER:

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 1, at 7:00pm.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:49p.m. and closed with a prayer led by John Guth.

Respectfully submitted,
Heather Pugh, Secretary