YUBA-SUTTER RIGHT TO LIFE COMMITTEE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

St. Isidore's Parish Hall September 1, 2010

BOARD MEMBERS

PRESENT:

Maureen Guth
Mary Anne Brayton

John Guth Heather Pugh Diane LaBaw

Michael Pugh Michael Gabhart

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GUESTS PRESENT: Fran Rex, Ralph Michel, Hope Ithurburn

OLD BUSINESS:

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

CALL TO ORDER:

Maureen Guth the meeting to order at 7:04pm.

OPENING PRAYER:

Michael Gabhart led the opening prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was m/s/c to approve the minutes of July 7, 2010, with the correction of \$95.90 for the monies due for the purchase of the babies for the fair booth.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

John reported we have \$2,837 in the bank with a payment to A Woman's Friend of \$50, as well as the monies that were due to Maureen. We also made a deposit consisting of monies from the Colusa Knights of Columbus and others. We received a grant from the Sacramento Diocese in the amount of \$2,116, which was also deposited. The grant requires we notify them what the fund will be used for. Maureen replied to their questionnaire stating the funds will be used for our new project of getting Dr. Willke's Life Jewels on the air.

LEGISLATION:

Mike gave an update on AB52 and AB1048. The first is the Umbilical Cord Blood Collection Program. That was withdrawn from committee on 8/23/10 and re-referred to the committee on RLS. The second is for the child protection safe surrender and went to enrollment on 8/23/10.

NEWSLETTER:

We need to have the West Coast Walk for Life tickets posted in the Newsletter so those who are interested in attending may begin to prepare for the cost.

Maureen gave Heather the July 2010 Life Update regarding another study showing the abortion-breast cancer link to put in the Newsletter.

WEBSITE UPDATE:

Mike Pugh said we had over 2,000 visits in the month to the website. There was a spike in visits to the website on the last day of July, which Mike thinks was due to the fair. Mike stated the top 7 searches in July were for the fair and the top 4 searches in August were for the fair.

Mike stated he is considering putting a link from our website to the California Pro-Life website's legislation page rather than manually updating our website from the information he obtains from theirs.

VINYL SIGNS/BILLBOARDS/LITERATURE:

Maureen received some new brochures from Heritage House. There are three brochures, one called "Why Pro-Life", "What You Need to Know About Abortion Procedures", and one called "How to Talk to Your Child About Abortion". Maureen would like to think about using these at our fair booth, but she's concerned that people aren't really picking up brochures and reading them like they used to. She thinks perhaps they would be better to have at various churches in the area. These brochures are buy 100, get 100 free through the end of September.

Maureen received updated information regarding the abortion statistics nationwide. Our latest stats only went to the year 2000 and these now go up to the year 2005. Maureen asked Mike Pugh if it's possible for him to scan in the map we currently use showing the statistics from the year 2000 and updating it with the newest stats. He says he can, but the map is blue and Maureen stated she most likely has a white copy and will get that to him. Mike thought Chuck may have it.

PRO-LIFE PRESENTATIONS:

Kathleen Delucca did a pro-life presentation for the St. Isidore Knights of Columbus. There were approximately 25 men present at the meeting. Ralph mentioned there was no question and answer segment after the presentation, which he regretted, but he did ask some questions of those present today when he spoke with them. They all thought Kathleen did a very good job and knew the material well and that she had their attention and would like to have another presentation in 4-6 months.

Maureen mentioned that it would be a good idea for Ralph to talk to the Knights about participating in the West Coast Walk for Life as that will further open their eyes to the issue of abortion.

RADIO SPOTS:

Diane contacted 104.7 (Calvary Chapel radio station) regarding having the Life Jewels aired but she hasn't gotten back to Diane and Diane hasn't had an opportunity to try contacting her again. She will do that and let Maureen know.

Maureen passed out a list of area radio stations and their contact information for contacting them regarding the Life Jewels.

Maureen asked Mary Anne to get the contact information for 101.5 since she listens to that radio station.

Maureen would like to get an idea from a few of these radio stations to see what they would charge to air the Life Jewels.

Ralph took Life Jewels Volume 5 (returned from Fran) and Hope took Life Jewels Volume 2 (from Maureen). Heather returned Volume 7 to Maureen.

Diane will contact KOBO 1450AM, and Hope will contact KUBA 1600AM about their cost.

FAIRS:

The group who had a pro-life booth at Placer County (United We Stand for Life) borrowed our game and sent Maureen a letter, which she read at the meeting, thanking us for the help and training.

The poster that Fran and Jenna created took first place at the Yuba Sutter Fair. Comments from our fair booth were read. We had 1,991 visits to our booth this year.

Maureen mentioned one of the comments made regarded having more brochures regarding adoption. She would like to have some brochures for that available at the booth next year.

PLANNED PARENTHOOD PRAYER VIGIL:

Heather will put a reminder in the St. Isidore and St. Joseph Bulletins regarding the monthly vigils and 40 Days For Life. Mary Anne would like to be notified when we go to Sacramento for a vigil so that she may possibly be able to take some time off and go with us.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Ralph will put some announcements in the St. Isidore Bulletin to remind the parishioners about the Memorial for the Unborn.

Diane LaBaw has still not been able to get the go-ahead for the magazine for YCHS. She is thinking about approaching the principal herself. She did speak with the principal at River Valley and was told that he didn't see anything wrong with having it available for the students, but he wanted to wait to see what the principal at YCHS does (she believes the principal at River Valley is new).

Maureen passed out the newly released corporate boycott list to all present. This list shows the corporations who have given monies to Planned Parenthood.

The banquet for A Woman's Friend is October 16th.

LIFE CHAIN:

Life Chain this year is the 3rd of October from 2pm-3:30pm.

ADJOURNMENT/CLOSING PRAYER:

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 6, 2010, at 7:00pm.

Sept. 1, 2010

YUBA-SUTTER RIGHT TO LIFE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:52pm and closed with a prayer led by Heather.

Respectfully submitted, Heather Pugh, Secretary