YUBA-SUTTER RIGHT TO LIFE COMMITTEE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

St. Isidore's Parish Hall May 4, 2011

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Maureen Guth
Mary Anne Brayton

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Mike Gabhart

John Guth Heather Pugh Diane LaBaw

GUESTS PRESENT: Jenna Walters Fr. Arlon Vergara

OLD BUSINESS:

Maureen stated she restocked the brochures in the church.

CALL TO ORDER:

Maureen called the meeting to order at 7:01pm.

OPENING PRAYER:

Mike Gabhart led the opening prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was m/s/c to approve the minutes of April 6, 2011.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

John reported we have \$2,350 in the bank with two checks to be deposited totaling \$100. We paid \$50 to A Woman's Friend, \$50 to KNYC, and \$190 to the Postmaster for the annual postage fee.

WEBSITE UPDATE:

Mike Pugh said we had 1,720 visits in the month of April to the website. The top pages viewed were the Events page, info, our about page, and Newsletters. The visits were down because the website was down for four days.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE:

Mike Pugh gave an update on the pending legislation: SB48: Instruction: Prohibition of discriminatory content is in committee; Initiative 1478: Parental Notification is in need of signatures to qualify for the ballot; HR 3: No Taxpayer Funding of Abortion passed the House; HR 358: Protect Life Act is in committee; and HR 361: Abortion Non-Discrimination Act of 2011 is in committee.

VINYL SIGNS/BILLBOARDS/LITERATURE/MAGAZINES:

Maureen reported that Hope contacted her friend at East Nicholaus High School regarding having the magazines put there but she has not heard back.

Maureen was able to get in touch with Bob Eckardt at Lindhurst High School and he has agreed to have the magazines in the counselor's office. Diane delivered some magazines to Maureen for Lindhurst High.

Diane checked the supply of magazines at River Valley and Yuba City High Schools and replenished them. She said she usually goes every couple of weeks.

RADIO SPOTS:

Maureen took CD's 2, 5, and 7 to Lou Binninger. He asked her to choose two favorite Jewels, which she did. He said he would talk with Mr. Huth about the cost of playing those.

Diane spoke with her contact at KNYC about increasing the playing of the Life Jewels from one a day to two a day and she was told that could be done. Diane was asked what time she would like the second Jewel played. Since we had not discussed that topic and Diane had not previously thought on that issue, she was told that KNYC will choose the time. The time of 5:15pm was suggested. Diane will ask her contact how the Jewels are played – if they are the same ones played or if they play the Jewels in consecutive order.

Mike Pugh reported that he checked on the Ambassador Advertising Agency podcasts and learned that they are satellite uplinks from Life Issues Institute and we are unable to do that because it needs to be done directly from a radio station.

PLANNED PARENTHOOD PRAYER VIGIL:

Maureen and Heather were at the vigil last month. It was a busy day at Planned Parenthood and the response from the public was positive.

YUBA-SUTTER FAIR:

Maureen responded to the email she received from a woman claiming we provided inaccurate information regarding the link between abortion and breast cancer at our fair booth. Maureen read her letter aloud during the meeting.

Maureen stopped by the fair offices to check on their planned setup for the fair booths. Maureen asked why they plan on changing the layout and she was told they received complaints from other vendors regarding their location within the building.

We still have \$435 to pay for the fair booth and \$80 or \$90 for the insurance.

Jennifer Hackney cannot do the Colusa Fair this year and she does not know anyone else who can take it on.

Maureen and Heather will go through the brochures for the fair next Tuesday morning so that any brochures can be ordered that are needed.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE:

Maureen and Heather were unable to go this last month but according to the Newsletter sent out by Wynette, several babies have been saved during this year's event.

SPEAKER'S BUREAU:

The next presentation will be on the 11th. Hope Ithurburn will be doing the presentation for the 8th grade class at St. Isidore School. She has a Powerpoint presentation and will cover the different types of abortion and how they are performed. There will also be two or three photos of actual aborted fetuses. Maureen will cover the history of the Catholic Church on the issue of abortion.

NEWSLETTER:

Heather will get the Newsletter done prior to the June 1st meeting since she will not be present and will email it out to the Board Members for their review.

MISCELLANEOUS:

John will take the minutes for the June meeting since Mike and Heather will not be at that meeting.

St. Isidore is in need of a new Respect Life Parish Coordinator. The Diocese of Sacramento currently has Maureen listed. Maureen will meet with Fr. Francisco regarding recruiting someone else to take over in that capacity.

John Guth suggested that we put a reminder in the computer for February for checking on running a full-page ad thanking mothers and selling spots for people to have their mother's name listed. This idea was mentioned by Fr. Arlon. He said his parish in Virginia did this and was able to raise money this way by charging \$1 or \$2 per name added.

ADJOURNMENT/CLOSING PRAYER:

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, June 1, 2011, at 7:00pm.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:16pm and closed with a prayer led by Fr. Arlon.

Respectfully submitted, Heather Pugh, Secretary