# YUBA-SUTTER RIGHT TO LIFE COMMITTEE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

St. Isidore's Parish Hall October 3, 2012

BOARD MEMBERS Maureen Guth John Guth PRESENT: Mike Gabhart Heather Pugh

Mike Pugh Mary Anne Brayton

# **CALL TO ORDER:**

Maureen called the meeting to order at 7:04pm and stated she has been restocking the brochures in the St. Isidore vestibule.

## **OPENING PRAYER:**

Mike Pugh led the opening prayer.

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion was m/s/c to approve the minutes of September 5, 2012.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT:

John reported we have \$2,979 in the bank. We paid \$273.93 to PIP for the Newsletter, \$68 for the mailing of the Newsletter, and \$25 to A Woman's Friend. Maureen made a motion to be reimbursed \$87.90 for the purchase of the small fetal models for the Planned Parenthood vigil.

# **LEGISLATION:**

Mike Pugh gave an update on SB623 (which allows certified midwives, nurse practitioners, and physician assistants to perform suction abortions). This bill was signed into law by Governor Brown.

Maureen ordered the "Where Do the Candidates Stand" informational sheets from the National Right to Life organization and placed two stacks of 40 sheets in the vestibule of St. Isidore. The following morning she checked on them and found they were all missing. The assumption is that perhaps they were thrown away because they were not from a Catholic organization. Maureen has downloaded and copied the informational sheets from Priests for Life which states on the document that they are "legally approved" for use by churches and 501(c)(3) groups. John called Staples to find out the cost for printing color documents and was told they charge 49 cents per color copy. John will print some out on his printer and see how it works.

#### **WEBSITE UPDATE:**

Mike Pugh said we had 1,546 visits in the month of September to the website. The top pages viewed were our about page, the fair booth, Minutes, Signs, Life Links, and stem cell research. Maureen asked Mike if it would be possible to put the Priests for Life Voting guide on our website and Mike said that it would be possible. Maureen will email the link to Mike so that he can put it up.

#### **RADIO SPOTS:**

The cost to do our monthly radio spots is \$250. Maureen handed out the list of this month's spots and they were read by all present. The ads chosen were "Giving Birth Much Safer than Abortion", "Planned Parenthood Kills Woman", and "Abortion After Rape".

## **RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE:**

Mary Anne spoke with Bob to see if we could show the movie, "October Baby" at St. Isidore and found that the only place we have available to show the movie is the Bishop Quinn Hall. Mary Anne will find out when it is being released on DVD and how we would promote the movie. Mike Pugh did say that our projector is old and would probably not be bright enough to be used to show a movie. Mike Pugh also added that we would need a public viewing license to show the movie in public to an audience. Mary Anne will contact Dave Kugleman to find out how they got the release to show the movie they had at Glad Tidings.

#### PLANNED PARENTHOOD PRAYER VIGIL:

Heather gave an update on the last vigil. There were four additional people and there were multiple people who stopped to share their after-abortion pain.

Heather and Maureen set a date of October 8<sup>th</sup> to participate in the 40 Days for Life at either Chico or Sacramento. Heather will send an email to Miriam and Mary Gunderson to see if they would like to join us.

# **BILLBOARDS AND BALLOONS:**

Maureen passed around a page of balloon styles for possible use at the fair. The cost would be \$90 for 500 balloons. John will call Pelton's to see if they have a large helium tank that we could rent. A vote was taken and it was decided that we will order 4 packs of the "Smile! Your Mom chose life" and will decide on one other design for another pack at a later date.

This January will be the 40<sup>th</sup> year since the legalization of abortion. Maureen stated that she would like to put up a Billboard. Everyone agreed and Maureen passed around a four page document showing the choices and had everyone marked their three favorites. A vote was taken and it was decided that we will have the "Take my hand, not my life..." billboard up to mark the January anniversary.

### **MISCELLANEOUS:**

Maureen asked everyone to think of different ways that we can help educate our community through Yuba Sutter Right to Life. John suggested a better video for the fair. Mike Pugh suggested taking one day each year to address the confirmation students of St. Isidore. Heather suggested making up posters to put up in the church following the development of Jesus until birth and have multiple copies available for other churches to also have it in their church.

Life Chain is this Sunday. Maureen notified Martha Duran, Tina Velasco, and Susan Burke so that they can notify the youth in their groups. She also put a bulletin announcement in this weekend's bulletin.

A possible meeting with Kim Vann is being put on the agenda for next month since Hope is not here.

Maureen was notified that the bus parking for West Coast Walk for Life will be \$75 and that busses registered after December 1 will be \$100. John suggested that we send out an email to all of the people who attended the West Coast Walk for Life last year and ask for volunteers for bus captains. A meeting is set for October 30<sup>th</sup> for the bus captains and volunteers. Maureen will call the parish to reserve the room and Mike Gabhart will send the email asking for volunteers. The cost for tickets this year will be \$30 per tickets if they are purchased before a certain date and \$35 if purchased after.

#### ADJOURNMENT/CLOSING PRAYER:

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, November 7, 2012, at 7:00pm.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned and closed with a prayer led by John.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Pugh, YSRTL Secretary