# YUBA-SUTTER RIGHT TO LIFE COMMITTEE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING May 6, 2015

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Maureen Guth Heather Pugh Diane LaBaw Michael Gabhart John Guth Mike Pugh Jenna Walters

# **CALL TO ORDER:**

Maureen called the meeting to order at 7:04pm. She also stated she restocked the brochures in the St. Isidore vestibule. She sent the Word of Life to Deacon Rojo and Ray Buttacavoli.

## **OPENING PRAYER:**

Mike Gabhart led the opening prayer.

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion was m/s/c to approve the minutes of April 1, 2015.

# **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

John reported we have \$1,516.38 in the bank. We paid \$25 to AWF, \$220 to Postmaster for the annual fee, KMYC \$250, and deposited \$190, and paid \$150 to the Ambassador for the May article.

John still has not heard anything from the IRS regarding our 501(3)c status. John will call the IRS again.

## **WEBSITE UPDATE:**

Mike Pugh handed out the website statistics pages which showed we had 749 visits to the website in April. Our top pages viewed were our about page, Newsletter page, Yuba Sutter fair, and signs.

Mike looked in to the possibility of having a Paypal button on our web page for donations, but it requires we give them our 501(3)c number and since that it is still being worked out with the IRS, it was decided that we will not pursue it at this time.

## MAGAZINES/BOOKS/AMBASSADOR ARTICLE:

Diane still has magazines that she can supply the schools (they are at both high schools).

John received a phone call from Mr. Huth at KMYC who feels we are making a mistake with cancelling our radio ads in favor of a monthly article in the Ambassador. John told him he would bring it up to the board at our meeting. The issue was discussed and it was decided that we will continue as we had previously decided with the monthly article in the Ambassador. Heather will send the next article by the 15<sup>th</sup>.

# **MONTHLY VIGIL:**

Maureen gave a brief report on our last vigil which was held while the Woman's Friend mobile unit was present. The date for the next vigil was chosen for May 27<sup>th</sup> from 1-3:30pm.

## YUBA-SUTTER FAIR:

Maureen contacted the fair and they still have not yet decided the locations of the booths. Maureen will call them again next month to check on the status.

Jenna is going to create a sign for us of flowers with the face of a baby in the center to have up in our booth.

Maureen has not yet ordered the pamphlets, but will do that soon. She and Heather will sew some ribbon on to fabric to tie around the babies for the fair.

Jenna said she can work the fair booth on Thursday at the 7pm shift. Mike and Heather told Maureen they want the first shift on Friday. Mary Anne said she wanted the Saturday 1-4pm shift.

#### **RESPECT LIFE:**

The RCIA class had ministries come in on the 19<sup>th</sup> of April and Maureen attended and gave a brief talk on our ministry.

St. Isidore will host a Ministry Fair during the school carnival on May 17<sup>th</sup> 12pm-7pm where we will have a booth. Maureen passed around a sign-up sheet for everyone to sign up for a shift.

John has not yet spoken with Fr. Matt about having Rachel's Vineyard cards available in the confessionals. Maureen has not yet gotten the notification in the bulletin regarding our sponsoring someone from our area.

St. Isidore's came in first place for the Woman's Friend walk with a total of \$7646. Fr. Michael raised \$1,916, Fr. Matt raised \$1,282.

#### **NEWSLETTER:**

Maureen spoke with the post office and found that the minimum number of pieces for bulk mailing is 200. The service for return requires a "Return Service Requested" on the outside of the newsletter and we will be charged 49 cents for each piece. Maureen will need to set up a special account for that service. She will set it up with \$25 initially to cover the cost and they will contact her when the account needs more money.

Mike and Heather created a subscription renewal for the newsletter to see the response. We are also going to put on the Newsletter "Return Service Requested" so that we can see how many of our newsletters are not being delivered.

## **LEGISLATION:**

Mike Pugh gave a brief report on the current pending legislation: AB775: This bill would enact the Reproductive FACT (Freedom, Accountability, Comprehensive Care, and Transparency) Act,

which would require crisis pregnancy centers to disseminate a notice to all clients stating that every pregnant woman has the right to decide whether to have a child or to obtain an abortion.

SB128: This bill aims to legalize the practice of assisted suicide in the state of California.

## **MISCELLANEOUS:**

Maureen offered the latest issue of the Human Life Alliance mailing for reading. She also read a couple of articles that were in the newspaper recently regarding birth rates in Europe being below the replacement level.

# **ADJOURNMENT/CLOSING PRAYER**

Our next meeting will be on <u>Tuesday</u>, **June 9, 2015**, at 7:00pm. The July meeting will be held on July 14<sup>th</sup> and the fair workers evening will be on July 23<sup>rd</sup>.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:29p.m. and closed with a prayer led by Diane.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Pugh, YSRTL Secretary