

St. John Paul II Council of Catholic Women

Feb. 10, 2025 in Brady Hall

General Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Pam Clackler, Cinda Raymond, Celeste Fisher, Ann Wohl, Debbie Marrinan, Marie Whalen, Karen Pannisidi, Sue Porrovecchio, Rita Byrer, Nancy Barrus, Beth Gardner, Deb Hernandez, Marianne Schroeder, Caroline Pitz, Judie Van Pevenage, Valda Kuhlman, Ann Holst, Julie Moffitt, Lynn Schabel, Kate Butts, Clara Tennant, Sue Poulton, Shannon Decker, Mary Clough, Jean Tegoli, Karen Lowe, Ruth Audet, Cathy Beck, Sue Hendrickson, Jill Scott, Margaret Baylinson. 31 Attending.

President's Welcome, Blessing of the Meal, Lunch

Intercessory Prayers: Jay Biedermann, Rita's grandson Emmett, Caroline Pitz's brother-in-law, Barb Anderson, John Kump

After Lunch:

Opening Prayer: Our Lady of Good Counsel led by Deb Marrinan at Noon

Pledge of Allegiance

Thank You's: Volunteers at the Food Bank in Jan. and for our hostesses for today's lunch – Celeste, Marie, and Karen Pannisidi.

**REPORTS:**

Secretary: There are no corrections or additions, so the Jan. minutes will be filed as is.

Treasurer: The January report was sent to all members and there were no questions. It will be filed for audit.

Committees:

Movie: Pam, Cinda, and Deb M. "Chitty Chitty, Bang Bang" will be presented at 1:30 on Feb. 16 in Brady Hall. Cookies, popcorn from the Knights, candy bags, and drinks will be provided. Kids, please bring a pillow if you'd

like to stretch out on quilts on the floor. Pam is making decorations for the event.

Freezer: Cindi and Nancy O. Neither was in attendance at the meeting, so this discussion was tabled till March.

Breaking Bread Together: Shannon and Valda. The large gathering of all the individual groups will be after 4:30 Mass on Feb. 15. A free lasagna dinner will be served. About 40 people have signed up to be a part of this ministry. CCW helped set up the initial group meeting, but this ministry will be under the parish council from now on.

Donation to Local Pro-Life Group: Karen L. and Cindi. Karen reported that Hope House and 40 DFL were found to be in compliance with the Diocese guidelines for giving to pro-life groups. It was moved and seconded that the \$1000 allocated for this cause should be given to Hope House. The vote carried. Rita will send a check.

CCW Deanery Meeting: Cindi is the chair of this committee and was absent from this meeting. These are the details we have at this time: SJPII will be hosting this meeting in Brady Hall on March 8 from 10 am to 1 pm. There are sign-up sheets for attending the meeting and for helping with the brunch. Attending and Helping: Ann Wohl, Cinda, Valda, Ann Holst, Julie Moffitt, Lynn Schabel, Nancy Barrus. Nancy B will get in touch with RaeDeen Heupel, the organizer for the meeting, and ask about the numbers coming from the various parishes. It was moved and seconded to allocate \$300-\$400 for the decorations and food for this event. The vote carried.

### **Old Business:**

Catholic Women's Conference in Helena: More information on this event can be found at [HelenaCWC.org](http://HelenaCWC.org). It will begin Friday, April 4 at 5:30pm with Stations of the Cross and Rosary, followed by a soup supper. The conference itself will be on Saturday, April 5 and will begin at 8am and end at 4:15pm.

Proposed Changes/Amendments to CCW By-Laws: It was moved and seconded that we accept the changes and amendments suggested by that review committee. The vote carried. Nancy will send out the amended By-

Laws via Email. If you do not receive Email, please let her know and she will arrange for you to get a copy.

CCW Monthly General Meeting Minutes: Nancy B. will check with Dawn to determine if we should post the minutes on the SJPII website and/or the My Parish app.

R2R: Gloria Greengard was not at this meeting so we will table her update till next month. Set-up has been moved from Saturday till Sunday after 2pm because of conflicts in scheduling Brady Hall. The discussion on moving R2R back to June on a yearly basis, as it was originally scheduled, will take place in the fall.

### **New Business:**

Christmas decorations: New totes have been purchased so we can better organize the decorations. If you are interested in helping cull through what we have and then organize the decorations, please let a board member know.

Father's Day Brunch: The Knights were in favor of letting CCW present them with a Father's Day brunch on June 15. We will discuss details as the date gets closer.

Lenten Soup Suppers: CCW is responsible for suppers on March 7 and April 11. These take place in Brady Hall immediately after the Stations of the Cross. Each volunteer cook needs to bring a crockpot of meatless soup (use vegetable broth instead of meat broths in your recipes). We need 8 people for each evening. March 7: Rita Byrer, Judie Van Pevenage, Ann Holst, Mary Clough, Sue Hendrickson – we need 3 more. Deb Hernandez and Lynn Schabel will help in the kitchen. April 11: Beth Gardner, Valda Kuhlman, and Sue Hendrickson – we need 5 more cooks and 3 to help in the kitchen.

Lent Books: Nancy distributed Matthew Kelly's The Three Ordinary Voices of God, the Lenten Book Club selection. If you did not pick your copy up at the meeting, there are plenty on the CCW shelf in the vestibule (by the Food Bank bins). We will discuss this book at the March meeting.

Excess Treasury Funds: There has been some concern about the abundance of unallocated funds in the CCW accounts. Cathy Beck suggested we use a percentage of discretionary funds to be set aside for our charitable allocations, being sure to leave enough in the account for normal operating expenses and emergency uses. Cathy, Rita, and Karen Lowe will serve on the committee to determine how to handle this and report in March about their suggestions.

New Kitchen Refrigerator: The old frig has a temporary fix that cost \$200. It is now in the room off of Brady Hall where extra tables are stored. The new frig cost \$4800. It was suggested that CCW donate some funds for this purchase. It was moved and seconded that the \$500 that had been anonymously donated to fix the sink faucet be donated to the parish to help with the refrigerator expense. These funds were not necessary as the parish paid for the faucet repair. The vote carried. It was also mentioned that the preventative maintenance for the old refrigerator was never done because the schedule was placed on the BACK of the unit. The schedule for the new frig is in plain sight on the side of the refrigerator.

**Monthly Woman of the Bible:** Margaret Baylinson shared her findings on Abigail, wife of David.

**NEXT MEETING MARCH 10 AT 11:30 am. Helpers: Shirley Lockard and Mary Supan.**

**Next Month's Woman of the Bible Presentation: Beth Gardner - Rachel**

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy W Barrus, Secretary