

Province of St. Paul & Minneapolis Board of Directors Meeting

DRAFT of MINUTES

Archdiocesan Catholic Center, 777 Forest Street, St. Paul, MN

June 12, 2023

CALL TO ORDER	Following the praying of the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary, Chair Heiderscheidt called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.
OPENING PRAYER	Opening prayer was led by ACCW President Doreen Hogan
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America was recited and the NCCW Mission Statement was read by the board members
QUORUM	A quorum was established
INTRODUCTIONS	Chair Heiderscheidt welcomed the board members and requested that all members introduce themselves
APPROVAL OF AGENDA	With the additions, the agenda was approved as it stands
APPROVAL OF MINUTES	Minutes from the February 6, 2023 meeting were approved as submitted
PARLIAMENTARY TIP	Parliamentarian Lucy Johnson gave a quiz & protocol on “Amendments”
TREASURER’S REPORT	Treasurer Barb Mathiowetz reported that Total Cash on Hand as of 5/31/23 is \$25,137.82. She outlined the proposed 2024 Province Conference budget as well as proposed 2023-2024 General budget
CORRESPONDENCE NOT REQUIRING ACTION	Secretary Debbie Keller reported no correspondence requiring action
PROVINCE DIRECTOR REPORT	Chair Heiderscheidt reported the 2022 NCCW convention in Minneapolis netted \$82,925 and encouraged recruitment of new members to keep our organization viable. Voting increased this year by 4%. Membership calls will center around the National Eucharistic Revival in coming months. This year’s NCCW Convention requires 385 registered attendees to break even. President Pat Voorhes is conducting a contest for women to “Bring 3” and receive a bottle of wine. The Leadership commission has a membership challenge. Chair Heiderscheidt presented Province Director-elect Carol Shukle, with the new NCCW scarf.
SPIRITUAL ADVISOR REFLECTION	Spiritual Advisor Fr. Daniel Haugan of St. Paul & Minneapolis gave a spiritual reflection on “Come apart and rest awhile”. Through his love for sacred art, both modern and ancient, he gave insights on the daily reading of Matthew Chapter 5, the Beatitudes, citing it a “self-portrait” of Jesus. Within these words, Jesus shares with us his wisdom, to suffer for what is right, to be merciful and humble, to hunger and thirst for

righteousness...Jesus is painting our “self-portrait” through the Sermon on the Mount. We cannot become this person on our own, but need the Holy Spirit to mold us so we may see and love with Christ’s eyes & heart.

A/DIOCESAN REPORTS*

Duluth – Anita Brandner reported the Installation of Officers and their new spiritual advisor took place at their convention. Past NCCW President Jean Kelly spoke on Mentoring. Bishop Daniel Felton spoke on Hope, Healing and Joy following Diocesan Listening Sessions. A new website was launched by webmaster Edie Dorie: www.duluthdiocesanccw.org

New Ulm – On behalf of Jackie Finstad, Carolyn Keller reported on their April DCCW convention at Church of St. Mary, New Ulm. Keynote Liz Kelly spoke on Bl. Benedetta Bianchi Porro. Bishop Chad Zielinski presided at Mass & installed new officers. Speaker Berny Berger gave a slide presentation on Bl. Carlo Acutis’ life and his work documenting Eucharistic Miracles.

Winona-Rochester – Eleanore Jones reported that their Spiritual Advisor, Fr. Farrell of St. Theodore, Albert Lea, attended the DCCW board meeting. He has hope to engage more Hispanic women in DCCW; The board met with Bishop Baron, who encourages more female religious vocations and Eucharistic Adoration. The Eucharistic Congress was a great success with 5000 attendees!

St. Cloud – Linda Borgerding reported that St. Cloud Diocese has a newly installed Bishop Patrick Neary, who will join them in July in Sauk Rapids for a potluck. Fund, Food and Fun Day will be at St. Andrew’s, Elk River on June 15. August 3 will be the Summer pilgrimage day of Adoration, visiting 6 chapels. The fall conference will be held on Sept. 16 at St. Anne’s in Wadena.

St. Paul & Minneapolis – Doreen Hogan reported on the Leadership day “Reimagining CCW”. The ACCW convention, held at St. Peter’s in Mendota, featured presentations on Mentorship, the National Eucharistic Revival and Walking with Moms in Need. The Rural Life Mass will be on June 25 in Norwood/Young America. A Morning of Reflection will be on Nov. 4.

**Please see A/Diocesan reports for greater detail*

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Associates of NCCW – Chris Heiderscheidt reported that dues are \$25. To vote dues are \$50 and once \$500 is reached, one is a lifetime member; There will be a dinner during Convention; Claire Kempton is current president

NCCW Nominating Committee – Bev McCarvel reported on newly elected NCCW Officers: President-Elect Amy Kennedy (Salt Lake City), Secretary Susan Harting (Orlando) and seven Nominating Committee members. She reported that voting increased from last year, by over 4%.

Friends of NCCW for WUCWO – Debbie Keller reported that several from the USA traveled to the WUCWO General Assembly in Assisi May 14-18. A private audience was held with Pope Francis May 13. A breakfast meeting will be held on Sat. Aug. 26 for the General Membership at the NCCW Convention in SLC.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Membership Reports – Chair Heiderscheidt reported on the overall membership from Dioceses, and is requesting each Diocese to contact affiliates listed. PD-Elect Carol Shukle plans to do some work to engage 5 inactive Dioceses: Crookston in Minnesota and 2 each in South and North Dakota.

MASS & LUNCH Mass was celebrated by ACCW Spiritual Advisor Fr. Dan Haugan in the Chapel of Our Lady, Undoer of Knots, followed by lunch in St. Joseph Hall of the ACC

NEW BUSINESS **NCCW Program Ad** – Chair Heiderscheidt showed the draft for ½ page **Motion passed** with unanimous approval to spend \$200 on the ad

Province Dinner at NCCW Convention – Chair Heiderscheidt reported our Province dinner will be held on Thursday, Aug. 24

WUCWO trip report – Lucy Johnson and Connie Andrews reported on their attendance to the WUCWO Conference in Assisi, Italy. On May 13, a private audience was held with Pope Francis. Nearly 900 attended, the Conference from May 14-18, with 37 from the United States. WUCWO Conference attendees were placed in groups according to their language, with interpretations of content via headsets. Themes were addressed, all focusing on women's issues all share. Newly installed President General, Monica Santamarina de Robles, is from Mexico. Prior to the Conference, several traveled to Rome to visit the Vatican and surrounding churches as well as the original "Our Lady of Good Counsel" image in Genzano, Italy. .

NCCW Resolution – Connie Andrews reported that though resolutions are every other year except in an emergency, President Voorhes made an executive decision to accept the resolution is entitled "Belief in the Real Presence" ... add content of resolution is based on St. John Paul II encyclical on the Ecclesia de Eucharistia, April 17, 2003.

Eucharistic Congress – Report by Eleanore Jones & Shelly Holt – Bishop Robert Baron encourages all to profess the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist and for those who are seeking a spiritual home, to speak with a Catholic priest and consider RCIA classes. A pew research poll found 70% of Catholics do not believe in the Real Presence. **Reverence** is missing at Masses and the query remains how to bring that back. The Winona-Rochester DCCW hosted a table at the Congress and Shelly Holt carried their Diocesan Council of Catholic Women banner during the Liturgy procession.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - Dates to Calendar

NCCW Rosary Call -13th of month; 6:30 pm (CT); 1-515-606-5163; Code 703993; *6 to mute
NCCW Membership ZOOM Call - 3rd Wed of every month at 6:00 pm (CT)
NCCW Convention – Aug. 23-36, 2023 in Salt Lake City,UT
NCCW Convention 2024 – Oklahoma City, OK
Province Conference – June 2024 at St. Mary’s in Sleepy Eye, specific date TBD
ACCW Morning of Reflection – Saturday, Nov. 4 at location TBD
ACCW Rural Life Sunday – June 25 in Norwood-Young America, St. Joseph’s, Waconia
ACCW Spring Convention – Friday, April 19 at Mary Mother of the Church, Burnsville
Duluth DCCW Fall Conference – TBD
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New Ulm DCCW Spring Convention – Saturday, April 27 at St. Pius X. Glencoe
St. Cloud DCCW Fall Conference – Saturday Sept. 16 at St. Anne’s, Wadena
St. Cloud Fun, Food and Fund – Thursday June 15 at St. Andrew’s, Elk River
St. Cloud – Eucharistic Congress Sept. 7-9, details forthcoming
St. Cloud – Pilgrimage (check report)
Winona-Rochester DCCW Convention – Saturday, Oct. 7, Queen of Angels, Austin

CLOSING PRAYER led by Mickey Nickelson with “Be My Witness” prayer

MEETING ADJOURNMENT was at 2:11pm

Next Province board meeting: (Diocese; list date if known)

Debbie Keller, Recording Secretary – Submitted

Date

Debbie Keller, Recording Secretary – Approved

Date

ROLL CALL:

Board Members Present:

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| Chair Chris Heiderscheidt | Connie Andrews |
| Lucy Johnson | Doreen Hogan |
| Barb Mathiowetz | Anita Brandner |
| Mickey Nickelson | Shelly Holt |
| Bev McCarvel | Terri Pontious |
| Lois Wesbur | Denise Haaland |
| Linda Borgerding | Debbie Keller |
| Linda Scephurek | |
| Jeanette Fortier | |
| Carol Shukle | |
| Eleanore Jones | |
| Carolyn Keller | |
| Sharon Illikman | |
| Eleanore Jones | |