

ST. Serra Apostolate of Boulder County

Board Meeting Minutes

February 14th, 2025

SHJ Jubilee Hall

Present: Stan Peterson, Kathy Kaler, Jan Landers, Peggy Morrow, Rita Roberts, Jerome Higgins, and Rudy Dichtl

Absent: Mary Ellen Thorne, Bill Fitzgerald, Amy Michaelis, Martha Leyva

Opening Prayer: led by Jan Landers

Secretary: Martha Leyva -Minutes from January 17th, 2025 as written by Martha Leyva - approved as written.

Treasurer Report: (Mary Ellen absent)

- a. Checking Account status: Mary Allen forwarded the last bank statement 02/2025 Balance = \$12,811.13+981.12=\$13,792.25
- b. Dues Collection: Jan collected dues from 36/62 members. Jerome will call those that have not paid to see if they want to remain on the roster as members, or transition to associate member status as Serra US and Serra International charges a substantial fee per member.
- c. Prayer Cards – Rudy submitted a bill for \$69.13 for the purchase of Vianney Vocations prayer cards to hand out at traveling meetings and fundraising events.

VP of Affirmation: Report (Bill Fitzgerald absent) n/a

- a. Altar server gifts – a decision was made to go ahead and purchase the Family Vocations prayer card, gift bags, and candy. Bags will also be populated with “God Stuff” that members donate. Additional donations are solicited, and what has already been collected will be sorted at the meeting on 3/21/25.
- b. Holy Thursday gift – two options: 1) purchase 3 “Holy Hour to Know My Vocation” booklet from Vianney Vocations; 2) purchase a copy of “The Priests We Need To Save the Church” for each priest. Rudy is calling the publisher Sophia Institute Press to see if they will give us a bulk discount.

VP of Membership: Kathy Kaler Reported: she is following up with recent members, and several are experiencing sickness and loss.

VP Communications: Report (Amy Michaelis absent)

- a. Stepping into Amy’s shoes – Amy will retire in June, and hand off this position. A potential candidate is being sought, and nominations will be solicited at the 3/21 meeting.
- b. Website:
 - a. Discussion and action items:
 - i. Action - Jan to send Peggy video of site glitching with a certain phone operating system
 - ii. Action Content Update – if Amy could please update the site with current Minutes, Treasurer reports, most recent policy manual. It was suggested that a link to a folder with these categories be shared rather than links to each individual document to reduce her labor.
 - iii. Action - Photos – Rita will send Peggy links to photos she has. These will be stored on the cloud and linked to the Members only area of the site.
 - iv. 31 Club Calendars were on the agenda but not discussed

- v. Wix expiration date – Wix will expire as the provider in July 2025, it was discussed renewing for a year while the site is migrated to another provider.

VP of Vocations-Liaisons- Rita Roberts reported

- a. She is preparing for World Day of Prayer for Vocations on 5/11/25, and is reviewing the information that Amy has compiled on the website.

VP of Programs: report (Jan):

- a. 3/2 SHM – Burrito Sunday (7a – 1p). Rita circulated a sign-up and talked about the cookie status at the general meeting.
- b. 3/7 SHJ Lenten Retreat Master: Fr Karl Millis. Please ask your parish to put in bulletin and send out announcements.
- c. 3/21 SHJ – The Benedictines that served the Boulder Deanery 1873 – 1968 and Altar Server God stuff sorting – Peggy, officer nominations – Jan
- d. 4/4 SHJ – Altar Server Gift Assembly and Holy Thursday gift for priests assembly & delivery
- e. 6/25 – 29 – SI Convention @ Kansas City (website si2025-kcconv.org) Half-way is St. Fidelis, or the Cathedral of the Plains in Victoria Kansas. There is a Capuchin Friary that you can stay at, please contact the cathedral at (785) 735-2777, as it was advertised that Theodore McCarrick was staying there, so contact info is hard to come by for the Friary.
- f. 9/13 – District Conference @ Queen of Peace, Aurora (begins with mass @ 8am, ends with mass @ 4pm) Friday night social, details to come, save the date

President- Jan Landers reported:

- a. Fundraising Committee Discussion to follow the Board meeting. Briefly discussed:
 - a. Breakfast Burritos – Rita pitched to members at the general meeting. Jan emphasized how much we need to raise (\$10k) to support operations
 - b. Sock Religious – aiming for SHJ in June

Other Business-

Adjourn with Closing Prayer: led by Jan Landers