

## ST. Serra Apostolate of Boulder County

Board of Trustees Minutes

February 3, 2023

SHJ Jubilee Hall

**At General meeting:** Michael Downey, USA Council president, via zoom, spoke on 'Culture of Vocations' stating God comes first. At the end he also talked about his journey in Serra to the office he now holds.

**Present:** Peggy Morrow, Sue Husler, Ed Husler, Amy Michaelis, Mary Ellen Thorne (Jim Heinze, Judy Heinze via zoom) Guest – Jan Landers

**Absent:** Sharon Stetson

**Opening Prayer:** led by Peggy Morrow

### Trustees' Reports:

- *Secretary:* Sue Husler - Minutes from 01/06/23 - approved as written
- *Treasurer's Report:* Ed Husler – Did not have time to print out report, just returned home last night. Checking - \$3018.10; CD - \$15,144.62; Income - \$.22; Expenses - \$500- to SI Serra Foundation, \$81.95 to Dori Fitzgerald for cards and stamps; \$1978 – to SI for ½ of yearly membership dues; \$40 -speaker
- *VP of Vocations:* Judy and Jim Heinze – World Day of Consecrated Life Feb 2, but celebrated in parishes on the weekend, Feb 4-5. John Paul II established it in 1997 on the feast of the Presentation of our Lord. Amy M. and parish liaisons got the information to most of the 11 parishes bulletins.
- *VP of Affirmation:* – Vacant – **Need a volunteer for this position.** May need nominations from the floor for the position if no one volunteers and for the other positions that may be vacant.

Last year the Affirmation Dinner was the 2<sup>nd</sup> week in June. We need to start planning if that is what we want to do. Judy H. stated she would be glad to work with Bridge House if we decide to use them again to do the catering. Will need to send out the invites via e-invite and postal. Sue will ask Fr. Mark to inquire at the deanery what would be the best accommodating date for the priests and if Jubilee Hall is available.

Amy stated that she attended the pizza party for servers at the Northern Serra Club; their Affirmation Dinner is also a big fund raiser. They had 200 people at their dinner. They solicit parishioners to pay for their priests. They got a lot of funds that way. Previously they also had a silent auction at the dinner. We will need to get more info from the club as how they organized the event.

Jan Landers – asked if there was a job description for this VP; what are the responsibility. Peggy thought she had something written; she will check her notes. It's mainly the Affirmation Dinner this position oversees. It will be a priority to continue this discussion next month. May need a separate meeting to do the planning.

- *VP of Membership:* Mary Ellen Thorne – May have a potential member – Pete Schumacker. Amy may have another person that may want to join. Peggy stated there is the new membership orientation on our website, they can learn more about Serra organization.
- *VP of Programs:* Sharon Stetson – absent (See end of minutes- presented by Peggy M.)

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- *VP for Parish Liaisons:* Amy Michaelis – Jan Landers has spoken to Guardian Angel – Mead, St. Theresa – Fredrick, St John and St Francis of Assisi – Longmont. She has a spread sheet of where they are in working with Altar Servers; has reported to Amy on her findings. Wants to focus on a request from St. Francis of Assisi, this is coming from Fr. Cristman. He would like to make the youth servers more visible and is requesting \$500 for cassocks for them. They have adult servers mainly. He would also like to organize an event with the seminarians and his youth servers, introducing them to the seminarians and their vocations. Would like \$250 for that event which would include snacks and transportation. Our club could use this as a springboard for helping other parishes in our deanery with similar events. Would need parishioners from that parish to help. This would introduce other parishioners to Serra Club. It would also put the youth in the forefront instead of giving money to parishes. The club would have to come up with a lot more money. Our club does not take in that much to serve all parishes in the deanery with that amount. It was voted to give that amount (\$750) to St. Francis Assisi for their Altar Server activity as a pilot program and get feedback on its success. With one opposition, stating we need to know more detail. This event would determine if the club would work with the Altar Servers in other parishes in the deanery. Need more Serrans from the other parishes, this may increase our visibility. Could combine the event with the seminarians with other parish altar servers.
- *VP Communications:* - Amy Michaelis – not at this time
- *President Elect:* Vacant – **Need a volunteer for this position.**
- *Trustee Report:* Sue Husler – not at this time
- *President:* Peggy Morrow - The letter from the parish priests requesting for new members, will be put on hold for a couple months.  
Stan Peterson made a request to expand the Bike Repair Program for seminarians. (Serra Club reimburses Stan for parts that are needed.) Stan works with the Rectors from Redemptoris Mater and St. John Vianney as to the need. He is requesting if he can put notice in the deanery parishes bulletins for parishioners to donate their old bikes that can be repair and given to the seminarians for transportation. Motion was approved to carry on this activity.

Next board meeting: Friday, April 21st at 10 AM - followed by a general meeting in SHJ Jubilee Hall

Adjourn with Prayer -Glory Be

### Upcoming Events:

**Jan 18-21, 2024** = Serra Rally – at Miami, FL for 2024 and 2025

**July 2024** – SI Convention in New Orleans, LA

- *Programs:* –  
**March 3** – 10 AM Trustee Meeting

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11AM with Rosary for priests and video of seminarians from RM and their vocations.

**March 17** – 10 AM (Potluck) All members to help assemble Easter gift bags for Altar Servers in deanery parishes.

**April 7** (Good Friday – no meeting)

**April 21** - 10 AM Trustee meeting.

11AM meeting with a presentation by Sr Rose Ann Barmann on human trafficking.

**May 5** TBA,

**May 19**- Dcn Jim Mackin (from SHM). May be meeting at SHM.