

**Minutes from Serra Boulder County Meeting
August 3 2020 Conducted by ZOOM Conference
Board Meeting began at 9:20 am**

Present: Sue Husler, Ed Husler, Stan Peterson, Bill Fitzgerald, Jerome Higgins, Peggy Morrow, Vern Rogowski, Ed Theiss, Nancy Harris, Dori Fitzgerald, Lillian Price

Absent:

Opening Prayer: Led by Sue Husler

Secretary Dori Fitzgerald. The minutes of the 7/17 board meeting were read prior to the meeting by all board members present. A motion was made by Bill to approve the minutes and was 2nd by Stan. Sue suggested that the minutes be included on our web site for all members to read and will be mentioned at the next general meeting. Dori to submit to Amy to include the June, July minutes. The August minutes will be submitted once approved at the next board meeting

Treasurer's Report. Ed Husler – Ed's Report was submitted via email prior to the meeting and also viewed, then read by Ed Husler. The report is attached to these minutes. Motion to approve was made by Bill and 2nd by Jerome, approved by all. Ed also reported that he has SI dues and has submitted the IRS 990 form for non profits.

VP of Vocations: Bill Fitzgerald Bill asked the board to consider a grant application for the Serra International Foundation. A discussion was developed by board members to perhaps use the funds for Serra Spark, how to run a vocation encouragement at parishes, including monies for altar services, traveling crucifix, food etc. and what previous monies had been used for. It was decided that Bill would submit the request using our Program of "Doors to Vocations" so the monies from a grant could be applied to this as a very concise project involving all of our parishes in our deanery. Vocation manual has been printed

VP of Affirmation: Ed Theiss –because we are not providing an appreciation dinner, it has been suggested that we provide a stipend to each priest, deacon and nuns including Fr. Bill and Fr. Greg. Ed's estimate of costs would be \$1225.00, (\$30.00 for priests, \$25 for deacons and nuns). Ed will contact the parish offices via snail mail, email or phone calls to get an accurate count. We plan ib doing this for Priesthood Sunday, the end of September. A motion was made by Stan to approve this, 2nd by Bill and approved by the board.

VP of Membership: Stan Peterson – He is working on a membership drive via regular mail to all and a plea to all of us to "get out of our comfort zone" and solicit for new members accordingly. He would like to see each of us get 2 new members this year.

VP of Programs Lillian Price. *We are planning on St. Scholastica Parish as our first video....just waiting on blessing of Fr. Michael and also permission from Ft. Carvel, head of deanery .She has contacted the Arch diocese to get a list of transitional deacons as she would like to engage them as speakers at our meetings. She will be working on this. She has given Deacon John a check for \$40.00 All deacons and seminarians that speak at our meetings will be given \$40.00. If we are still on zoom, she will mail checks to them.*

VP of Communications: Nancy Harris – no report, however Nancy's fantastic job on the newsletter was mentioned. Thank you Nancy.

President Elect: Peggy Morrow – Peggy suggested that old newsletters be archived on our website and will contact Amy accordingly. St. Scholastica has purchased land and will be dedicating it to Vocations Ministry. It is 10 acres, more details will be forthcoming on this.. Also, we need to reach out

to the new members to attend our virtual meetings and even have a “virtual come and see”. Perhaps we can post virtual speakers that speak, particularly seminarians experiences as it is exciting to see them go on to become priests. We will pursue this idea.

Trustee report: Vern Rogowski and Jerome Higgins – no report

Old Business Fund raising. Since there is no golf as fundraiser this year, we will ask members to be generous with donations for Christmas gifts and add to the donations to make up the difference in our ongoing expenses. He thinks we will be spending about \$3000 before our next fundraising event.. (Per Vern’s suggestion) Ed does not think we need to have two separate checks. . This will be addressed at the September Board meeting.

New Business (Vern made a motion to approve new members, Jim and Judy Hines The motion was 2nd by Dori and approved by all. Sue will contact Bob Brockish to add them to new members list. Also correct the Ames address to Fr. Greg’s email address. He is now receiving all of their e mail.

There is an orientation video for new members which will be on the website. Ramon is working on the new membership list. Sue will check this out and then we can email it to all new members of the past year.

Jeanne Meyers has asked if she should order the advent books to distribute as gifts during the Christmas party. The cost would be \$50 plus postage. It was agreed to order. Sue will order them so we get them before November. The Christmas Party needs to be scheduled as well.

Fr.Mark has suggested a meeting in the courtyard outside after a mass ...”Hybrid “ type meeting which would allow face to face for those interested and zoom for people still uncomfortable. We will do this in September.. We could actually have the meeting recorded rather than rely on wi-fi. It can be discussed in the next meeting. It could be combined with the induction of new members.

Our next zoom meeting will be August 21 via zoom.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:25 am.with prayers by Sue.

Respectfully submitted,
Dori Fitzgerald, Sec