

Secretariat Minutes – September 3, 2016, St. Thomas the Apostle

Opening Prayer to the Holy Spirit and Palanca were offered.

Present: Judy Holt, Israel Figueroa, Amelia Saucedo, Gummersindo Cano, Berta Cano, Keith Sanford, Dave Campbell, Father Joe Brando, Dick Shriver, Lois Schering, Debbie Ferreri, Lance Lyons, Nancy Sewell.

Secretary Report will be emailed for corrections. (Help would be appreciated on how to exactly do the report. I have never been a Secretary before. There were some things I didn't know needed to be included – time meeting began and ended, some things I forgot to write down who said them.)

Secretary's Report: was read. Dave Campbell moved to approve the minutes, Father Joe Brando seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Pre- Cursillo English: Keith reported Men's English has 9 candidates attending, maybe 5, may have 1 new application. Women's English has 7 candidates attending and 3 maybe. We need more applications on both sides. Discussion about Women's Cursillo. Judy felt it was too early to cancel. Please keep praying about who to invite.

Pre-Cursillo Spanish: This position is currently open. Lupe at St. Thomas has been taking on the responsibility of this position officially since she has already been doing the paperwork.

3-Day English: Maria was not present. She has missed 3 consecutive meetings without reports.

3-Day Spanish: (Israel gave a report, even though this is not technically his position. We were grateful to hear what he had to say!) 24 Women made the Spanish Cursillo and 17 Men made their Spanish Cursillo. Israel asked about music during the Rollo time. Discussion took place as to why there is not music during Rollos. Debbie will meet with the Rectora and reinforce the "rules." Berta asked who was responsible for music during the closing. It was stated that historically,

the Post Cursillo Team is responsible. If they are on team, they need to find replacements.

In general, it was also suggested people in their present positions should write up what they did to pass on to the next team.

Post Cursillo: Vacant.

Spanish Post Cursillo: Again, Israel gave an update. The Ultreya at St. Thomas is working well. They have had between 15-25 people in attendance. Manuel said they are starting Spanish Ultreyas at St. Joseph's in Madisonville and at St. Patrick's in Morristown. We need to try to build these up. Father Joe Brando also spoke of trying to build the English back up too. It was also mentioned that we could put out a donation basket of \$1-\$2 at the Ultreyas to support the Cursillo movement.

4th Day Workshop English: Dave left his report on the computer. The Doctrinal Talk was given by Father Brando. Dave Campbell gave the Technique Talk on "Pre Cursillo." Dick Shriver gave a talk on "Study of the Environment." Then we broke up into sections and talked about venues, different times of the year for Cursillos.

4th Day Workshop Spanish: Jorge not present so Israel gave us a report again. They started with about 6 people attending, now they have about 20 people. Gummersindo gave money to Lance.

Treasurer's Report: Lance gave his report. The Annual Appeal gained \$3,675. It was felt it was a good idea to let people know how much things cost. The English letters were mailed (suggestion to update returned mail). The Spanish letters were handed out. At Ultreyas, get updates on names, addresses and email addresses, if people have email. Lance is going to re-do his report in a different format and then get it out to us. \$2080 was spent at National for supplies. There will be new Pilgrim's Guides starting next year. (2017). Team will buy their own new guides. They may be purchased for \$5 at the Grand Ultreya on December 3, 2016.

Spiritual Report: Father Joe Brando spoke about realizing that the financial side is an image of what the spiritual side should be. There needs to be spiritual growth and strength going into Parishes to go and bring others to Christ. We want to accomplish bringing leaders forward in the years to come.

Lay Director Report: Gumersindo started by telling us that 5 people went to National. The Rollos were excellent and it was exciting to be there. The theme was, "The Kerygma and Cursillo." The joy was amazing.

The African Mission was then discussed. There is \$1594 in the African Mission account. There is an effort to try to get Cursillo in Nigeria, Africa, but the Bishops there do not feel it is safe right now. Also, they cannot afford it and neither can we.

Judy informed us that Lois is still on the Savings Account. Then there was discussion about who is able to sign on accounts. Lance moved that we investigate giving Debbie a credit card to make purchases for the weekends, but Lance's address would be on the account and he would pay it directly. Father Joe seconded the motion. A vote was taken and it passed.

New Business: There are vacancies on the Secretariat. Nancy Sewell submitted her name to be considered for Secretary. Dave Campbell would like to move to Post Cursillo until 2018. Lois would like to Coordinate 4th Day Workshop until someone officially has the position. She will still do Palanca. These were passed and effective immediately. Nancy was elected, Dave was elected, and Lois is filling in. We need to advertise for Pre Cursillo and 4th Day Workshop. Dick Shriver put his name in to be Lay Director. It has to run in 2 consecutive Rooster Crows so we will have to wait until December for him to officially run for this position.
Positions Needed: Post Cursillo Spanish, 3 Day English, 3 Day Spanish, Pre Cursillo English, 4th Day Workshop English, Music – Spanish/English

Old Business: The Diocesan Encounter we well. The people who attended enjoyed it very much. We were well represented on the

Spiritual side – 2 Priests, 2 Deacons. There were lots of Spanish but not many English.

There was a lengthy discussion about Secretariat Members not attending meetings. When people agree to take the office, they must commit. They cannot miss more than 2 consecutive meetings or 3 meetings in 6 held.

The Regional Encounter will be held September 23-25 in Evansville, Indiana. Judy is sending Dick as her Proxy.

Closing at about 1:50pm.

Next meeting December 3, 2016