Secretariat Meeting Minutes, Via Zoom

Attendance: Angela Feltz, Teri Gabor, Gary Gabor, Tom Egan, Irene Scoggins, Betty MacDougall, Deacon Bill Jacobs, and Lois Schering.

Absent: Bogdan Vacaliuc, Brendan Foley, and Piotr Ulmer.

Angie Feltz led the Holy Spirit Prayer and the Leaders Prayer.

Group Sharing by all present.

Secretary Report – Teri Gabor – Teri emailed the Secretariat minutes from the October, 2023, meeting to all members. A minor correction was made, and the minutes sent back out. Minutes accepted.

Treasurer Report – Tom Egan.

Current Balances

Checking account total	\$	828.03	
Savings account total	\$	2054.69	
CD - 12/21/22	\$	6190.31	
CD - Fr. Joe	\$	2500.00	
CD – African Mission	\$	1894.10	
Total Assets	\$1	\$12,639.10	

The cost of the weekend was discussed as well as the possibility of receiving the fee for the weekend upfront and asking the sponsors to assist in contributing to the cost of the weekend. Discussed the possible need to increase the cost of future weekends from \$150 to as much as \$200. One priest and one deacon fees are waived for the weekend by CPOP. Further discussion took place regarding including candidate names and perhaps moving the Sermon on the amount to Saturday with a reminder on Sunday. Opened a CD with the money from the African Missions Account. December 21, 2023, our first CD will come up for automatic renewal. Will let that renew. Tom sent out an email regarding the non-profit status, which will cost \$275 for the application fee. This was approved. The Treasurer's report was accepted.

Pre-Cursillo – Irene Scoggins – Irene has 5 applications and will reach out to others. Spoke of the bulletin notices that Linda Roman put in the All Saints bulletins. Also spoke of Info nights and the Parish reps to get information out.

Cursillo – Gary Gabor – Women's weekend had 17 new Cursillistas. Velma did an excellent job with her assistants in the Kitchen. Men's Weekend #58 – April 18-21, 2024. Work on selecting a Rector is progressing. Giannine's Rectora report was read and discussed with several good points brought to attention. Discussion took place regarding safety issues at CPOP. Deacon Bill brought up the Clausura booklets to be more specific. All the items that have been used by the English and Spanish Weekends are being stored at CPOP in the basement.

Post Cursillo - Betty MacDougall – The Women's Clausura was on November 5th at 4:00 pm at CPOP, Benton TN, 37 people attended, representing 9 parishes, in addition to the team and new cursillistas.

The Men's Clausura will be April 21st at 4:00pm at CPOP, Benton TN.

Grand Ultreya – 2 Grand Ultreyas were held. The first on Tuesday November 14, 2023 at 7:00pm at All Saints parish, Knoxville – about 20 attending representing 7 parishes. Witness speakers were Deacon Frank Fischer and Peg McDonough. The second was on Saturday, December 2, 2023 at 6:15pm at St. Bridget in Dayton, TN with about 25 attending representing 5 parishes. Mass was celebrated prior at 5:30. Witness speaker was Judy Pompei and Barbara Bisson.

Ultreyas –

St. Mary, Johnson City (Zoom only) second Thursday at 6:30pm (Not in December)

Last Tuesday Diocese of Knoxville Ultreya on Zoom at 6:30 pm (Not in December)

Chattanooga, St. Jude is in-person on the second Thursday of every other month at 7:00pm, scheduled for January 11 and March 14.

School of Leaders – Lyn Roman has volunteered to get the School of Leaders started in the Knoxville Diocese. She will need to submit a letter to state that she is interested in this.

Spiritual Advisor – Deacon Bill Jacobs – We had Deacon Frank Fischer on the Women's Weekend. He had several new cursillistas come to him for Spiritual Direction. At the Deacons' retreat Deacon Bill said that there was a new deacon that was involved in Cursillo and he will be contacting him about helping out on weekends. With Fr. Alex not being available for the majority of the weekend, we need to have priests lined up to help out with reconciliation and celebrating Mass. Irene mentioned that there are priests in the area that may be available in case we need them. Irene will forward names of priests that she has used for youth retreats to Deacon Bill.

Palanca – Lois Schering – For the Women's weekend she received most of the palanca from elsewhere in the world with little from the US. The Palanca that came in after she had given the palanca to Toni to take to CPOP was emailed to Gary. These were important, one from Rome. A number of weekends did not receive palanca from us due to the notification not coming in. She is receiving notifications again.

Website/Webmaster – Bogdan Vacaliuc – Not Present – Let Angie know that he is frustrated with the website hosting company. The website has gone down twice now. He thinks it's because of the database.

Old Business – Secretariat Vacancies – Lay Director/Diocesan Coordinator – Teri has submitted a letter that she was interested in the position. Voted on and approved. Secretary (2024-2026) – Vacant Treasurer (2024-2026) – Tom has put in his name to continue as Treasurer. Voted on and approved. School of Leaders (2022-2025) - Vacant

New Business – National Encounters: 2024 - Regional Encounter – April 12-13 in Springfield-Cape Girardo, MO 2024 - National Encounter – Philadelphia, PA 2024 - Regional Encounter – November 15-16, 2024 – Diocese of Indianapolis, Layfayette, Indiana. 2025 - Volunteer Needed 2025 - Fall Regional Encounter – Diocese of Louisville.

2024 Calendar – If anyone has any dates they want added, notify Angie. Teri will decide on future dates for Secretariat Meetings.

Next Meeting – Teri will let us know when she will schedule the next Secretariat meeting.

Deacon Bill Jacobs led us in the closing prayer.

Respectfully Submitted, Teri Gabor, Secretary