



Saint Joseph
Council of Catholic Women
General Membership Meeting Minutes
Sunday, April 16th, 2023

The National Council of Catholic Women acts through its members to support, empower, and educate all Catholic Women in spirituality, leadership and service. NCCW programs respond with Gospel values to the needs of the Church and society in the modern world.

- I. Call to Order: *Madam President called the meeting of the St Joseph's Council of Catholic Women April 16th General Membership to order at 6:00 pm. She stated on record that the meeting was being recorded for purposes of transcribing the minutes.*
- II. Opening Prayer: *M Tiwari led the affiliation with an opening prayer.*
- III. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States: *Our parliamentarian led the affiliation with the Pledge to the Flag of the United States of America.*
- IV. Roll Call: *The recording secretary determined that quorum was met with 20 members present to conduct business.*
- V. Welcome: *Madam President thanked membership and guests for attending on Divine Mercy Sunday.*
- VI. Program: *M Tiwari introduced Brother Ken from the Brothers of Hope who who gave an inspiring presentation about their work in the field of college age men and young adults. He also explained their unique gift of the love they have with Jesus.*
- VII. Approval of Minutes: *Minutes from March 26th general membership meeting was submitted electronically. Minutes were approved as submitted so they will be filed.*
- VIII. Treasurer's Report: *April's Treasurers Report was filed electronically. There were no questions or concerns of the Treasurers April Report. So, the April report will be filed for Audit. Treasurer explained filling out reimbursement form.*
- IX. Reports of Officers

ODCCW Board Member: ODCCW Board Member submitted her report electronically. Just asked how many will be attending convention and 5 responded.

 - a. President: *President submitted her report electronically and she had no additions.*

- b. Vice President: *Vice President submitted her report electronically and she had no additions.*
- c. Deanery Representative: *Deanery Representative submitted her report electronically. She was notified of winners from the 500 Club's April drawing. Grace Cabrera from our fellowship won 2nd prize of \$30.00.*
- d. Corresponding Secretary: *Corresponding Secretary submitted her report electronically. V McCann is sending out a card out to Kory Blowers for Corresponding Secretary. Cory is a member who is going through some serious health issues and undergoing a surgery on April 26th.*
- e. Parliamentarian: *Parliamentarian submitted her report electronically and she had nothing to add. Madam President suggested that members read the parliamentarians reports because there is some good information enclosed.*

X. Reports of Commission Chairs:

- a. Leadership: *Leadership Chair submitted her report electronically.*
- b. Membership Chair: *Membership Chair submitted her report electronically and she had no additions.*
- c. Legislative Advocacy: *Legislative Advocacy Chair submitted her report electronically.*
- d. Service: *Service co-chairs submitted their report electronically and they had no additions.*
- e. Spirituality: *Spirituality Chair submitted her report electronically and she had no additions.*
- f. Social: *Social chair submitted her report electronically and she had no additions.*

XI. Unfinished Business

- a. Membership Shirts: *Membership Chair gave an update that Affiliation Shirts came in and were on back table with members names on them to collect.*
- b. Literacy Project Wrap-Up: *E Brighton gave a final wrap up on this project. Thanked participants and added that chair should be available in the future and be in better communication. It will be filed with its completed Project Form for future use in January 2024.*
- c. May Crowning Project Update: *Spirituality Commission Head updated affiliation on this project. Need more communication with Wilmar and Woman's Guild.*
- d. Consecration to St Joseph Project Update: *Spirituality Commission Head updated affiliation on this project with M Tiwari . Father Benjamin is hopeful that this project can eventually be done Parish wide.*
- e. Copyright Letter Notification: *The lawyer representing us has been actively addressing this with PicRights. They have not been forthcoming with the information being requested by him. Dennis Johnson is involved in every communication and has indicated that he is not concerned about this issue. Madam President asked if anyone received information or any further communications from PicRights. No one has, so this will be reported back to our lawyer ASAP for his use.*

- f. Stations of the Cross Project Update: *A Swope gave an update on this event. She will fill out a completed Project Form with the After Action Section Completed for future use. Times were discussed, lots of positivity overall. Definitely need to state that no animals should be brought to event. We may look at an Ecumenical approach with Avalon Church next year, to side step logistical issues with Avalon Park group.*

- g. Convention:
 - 1. *Purse Donations: Showed the purse donations.*
 - 2. *Shoe Donations: Showed the shoe donations.*
 - 3. *Tickets: Explained the raffle drawing and Prizes at convention: 1st-2 night stay at the Florida Hotel and Conference Center, 2nd-\$400 valued Visa Gift Card, 3rd-\$300 valued dinner gift card basket. Tickets are 1 for \$1, 6 for \$5. E. Smith selling tickets.*

- h. Memorial Recognition Plan: *At Last months meeting, a discussion to honor our Council Sisters who have passed away was presented. It was in hopes finding a way to physically represent them so that we can have their spirit present at future meetings. It was asked if there were any additional ideas of how we can do this? Committee was formed and will include J Southard , C Smith, E Brighton & S Marmie.*

- i. St Joseph the Worker Feast Day: *Father has invited us to attend Mass and a social gathering for the Feast Day of St Joseph the Worker. This will take place Monday, May 1, at 7:00pm. This also happens to be the end date for the Consecration of St Joseph project. He would love for us to be present at this event if possible.*

XII. New Business

- a. Ministry of the Sick Donation: *Dennis Johnson reconsidered our \$250 cash donation to Ministry of the Sick/Bereavement that was collected as part of our Dove Tree Project, and it was discussed and decided to purchase physical items that the ministry needs. Madam President will reach out to Deacon Michael who is in charge of these ministries to get a list.*

- b. Name Tags: *New Name Tags were discussed at the Executive Committee Meeting. Research is currently ongoing to get these ordered soon for each paid member of our affiliation. \$200.00 is budgeted and with the new budget committee, this amount may be changed. Also looking at new design to include logo.*

- c. Graduation Mass: *E Brighton graciously offered to help manage this project. The Graduation Mass is scheduled for Sunday, May 21st, at the 10:00am Mass. We have 50 gifts for graduates. She has leftover gifts from last year.*

- d. Backpack Drive: *E Brighton gave an update on this project. Her plan as chairperson is to work this the same way as last year.*

- e. Garage Sale: *A Swope updated affiliation to start saving for this fundraiser. Let her know if you need help with storage.*

- f. Nomination Committee: *General membership was informed that we need to appoint a Nomination Committee. Nomination Committee: Vicky McCann volunteered and affiliation is looking for 2 more committee members.*

- g. Planning Meeting for Next Year: *A Survey regarding Programs, Projects and Playdates was given out to everyone present, and a follow up with members who are not present will be collected to get ideas of what is wanted. Once all this information has been collected, we will be having a planning meeting that will pull all this into a yearly calendar. This will be shared with Father Benjamin for his approval. Everyone is welcomed to attend Playdates that planning meeting. It is*

scheduled for Monday, May 8th at 6:00pm at Eleanore's house with an Executive Committee Meeting to follow at 7:00pm.

- h. May Program: *The program plan is on La Salette.*
 - i. May Social Activity: *While nothing is on the calendar, we have a potential plan for wine tasting at Cooper's Hawk in May.*
- XIII. Share the Wealth: *V. McCann to led this activity. J Kornmeyer \$22, C Theret \$11 and B Tines \$7.*
- XIV. Announcement of April Meeting: *The next Meeting of the General Membership will be held on Sunday, May 21st, at 2:00pm*
- XV. Closing Prayer: *M Tiwari gave the closing prayer.*
- XVI. Adjournment of Meeting: *This April meeting of the St Joseph's Council of Catholic Women General Membership is hereby adjourned at 7:48 pm.*