

**Minutes of**  
***Pensacola-Tallahassee Diocesan Council of Catholic Women***  
***Saturday June 14, 2014***  
***St. Margaret's Church, DeFuniak Springs, FL***

**Call to Order:** President Cynthia Lacour called the meeting to order on Saturday, June 14, 2014 at 10:00 at St. Margaret's Parish Hall, DeFuniak Springs, FL. President Cynthia introduced the new DCCW officers and everyone in the meeting introduced themselves and what position they hold on the board along with what church they attended.

**Opening Prayer:** Roslyn Guyette led the opening prayer with a very motivating devotional.

**The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America:** Led by Sue Weathersbee.

**Election of Secretary Pro-Tem:** Peggy Clark was elected to serve as Secretary Pro-Tem for the meeting.

**Roll Call:** Roll call was taken. A quorum was present.

**Minutes:** The minutes of the Board of Directors meetings of May 8, 2014 and May 10, 2014 were approved as printed and read and are on file

**Officer Reports:**

**President:** President Cynthia thanked Fr. Rick Dawson for mass. She asked the Holy Spirit to direct her and show her the way and that she is honored to serve as our President. She acknowledged the past board with gratitude for their service in the past two years. She attended the Burse Club luncheon in June and stated we now have sixteen seminarians. She attended the FCCW Board meeting in Orlando in June as well and brought back a copy of Catholic Positive given by Julie Rothary. President Cynthia met with Bishop Parkes earlier in the month and stated that he was working on the vision for the Diocese. He will again discuss what we can do to possibly help with in January. The theme for the convention in 2015 will be "Our Family, Our Future". Cynthia gave everyone a big bag and asked everyone to fill it with ideas for our DCCW and that none were too small to fit into the bag.

**Vice President:** Sue Weathersbee stated she looks forward to serving as the VP and the Dean of Commission Chairs and would like to have a fifteen minute meeting prior to the beginning of each of our board meetings in the future.

**Treasurer:** Betty Otto reported the balance of checking account as of May 8, 2014 \$12,433.32 and the budget for the upcoming year will be discussed at the August meeting.

**Secretary:** As Peggy Clark was serving as a Pro-Tem there was no report.

**Deanery President Reports**

**Eastern Deanery:** Sue Weathersbee read the report for Susan Emmanuel thanking everyone who attended the convention held in Tallahassee in May. There is a used book drive of novels to assist Eastern Deanery as a fundraiser. An update on Linda Husbands' husband was given that he was doing very well at this time.

**Northwest Deanery:** Martha Seep stated the two ladies from St. Jude's Church that attended the convention had great reviews.

**Southwest Deanery:** Sylvia Roclevitch had no report as their Deanery had not met at this time.

**West Central Deanery:** Mary Sauvageau had met with Dianne Hinds who had been the acting President and will hold a pre-planning meeting with the incoming officers. They plan to focus this term on membership and commissions.

**Commission Reports**

**Spirituality:** Roslyn Guyette passed around a sign up sheet for all who can serve at mass at future meetings. Reminded all of the Fortnight for Freedom was June 21 through July 4, 2014.

**Service:** Sue Steverson stated she received a packet form NCCW with information of the following; 1) Haiti 2) helping children when fleeing as the parents are arrested and the children need care, 3) Nutrition program in Guatemala. NCCW is beginning a program "Caps of Love" that just require us to separate the caps of recycles we usually dispose of.

**Organization/Leadership:** Carol Giguere began with a quote from Colin Powell. She emphasized an individual membership in NCCW at \$60 a year and arrangements can be made that \$5 a month be charges to your credit card account for membership. All affiliations need a membership committee and to remember that we are a WIP (Work in Progress). Carol reminded us to keep our Pastors informed at all levels of CCW.

**Special Committee Reports**

**Burse Club:** Jan Shiplett reported that we gave a check to Bishop Parkes in the amount of \$166,000 at our annual convention. This helps to cover the cost of books, board and tuition that add \$800,000 in the Diocese budget this year. It is the largest cost each year. A motion passed to send a check for \$415 to Fr. John Cayer to pay for a physical for seminarian Kevin Wessa. Burse Club Weekend for many churches will be held July 27 & 28 this year but Jan stated this is not set in stone as you can have it another weekend if your pastor wishes.

**Pencil Points:** Jan Shiplett announced the deadline for the next issue was June 14, 2014 as previously stated in prior board meeting.

**Ways & Means:** Joan Morgan asked if anyone had ideas for the next year please let her know before the August meeting.

**Historian: Vacant**

**Publicity: Vacant**

**Parliamentarian:** Pat Treadway “A Minute with Robert” was skipped as there was a lot to discuss at the meeting.

### Unfinished Business

**DCCW Convention 2014:** Shelia Hopkins, convention Co-Chairman announced that the convention went very well and the ladies were happy and went home spiritually enriched.

**DCCW Convention 2014 financial report:** Sue Weathersbee, convention Co-Chairman stated we went into the hole by the amount of \$842.00 as a result of low participation due to the weekend date selected.

### New Business

**NCCW:** Sheila Hopkins announced the “We Are One” campaign has collected to date the amount of \$40,000 plus. The 2015 NCCW Convention will be held in Orlando

**Ad for NCCW Convention:** A motion passed to submit an ad for the convention of a full page.

**Ad for FCCW Convention:** Linda Husbands has an ad ready for us to use.

**DCCW brochure:** A committee was formed to create a new one for use. The members are as follows; Mary Sauvageau, Joan Morgan, Pat Treadway, Betty Otto and Cynthia Lacour.

**Lake Yale Symposium:** To be held the last weekend in July. Anyone who wishes to attend there is registration forms on the Orlando DCCW website.

**Hugs for the Homeless:** Each of the deaneries received \$1,600 for the charity of their choice. Please include the project when making plans at the deanery level so they can take it to the affiliation level as well.

**Spiritual Advisor’s Report** – Fr. Rick Dawson talked about the importance of the burse club and also of other needs the seminarians sometimes have.

### Announcements-

Pencil Points Deadline – Jan Shiplett as stated above, today, June 14, 2014

Next Meeting – August 23, 2014 Blessed Trinity Church, Bonifay, FL **9:30am**

**Closing Prayer** – Fr. Rick Dawson

**Adjournment** 12:20 CST

### Lunch

### Dates to Remember:

NCCW Convention - September 24 – 27, 2014, Grand Rapids, MI

FCCW Conference - October 23 -26, 2014, Ft. Lauderdale, FL

Catholic Days at the Capitol & Red Mass – March 3–4, 2015

DCCW Convention – April TBA

### **Web Addresses**

NCCW: [www.nccw.org](http://www.nccw.org)

FCCW: <http://home.catholicweb.com/flaccw>

PTDCCW: <http://home.catholicweb.com/ptdccw>

**Submitted by : Peggy Clark**

**Secretary Pro-Tem for Linda Husbands**

**Approved**