

PENSACOLA-TALLAHASSEE DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN  
DCCW BOARD MEETING  
Blessed Trinity Church, Bonifay, FL  
Saturday, January 25, 2014

**Call to Order:** President Peggy Clark called the Board Meeting of the P-T DCCW to order at 10:05 a.m. CDT, Saturday, January 25, 2014, at Blessed Trinity Parish Hall, Bonifay, FL.

**Opening Prayer:** Father Dawson led us in prayer to Our Lady of Good Counsel.

**The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America:** Led by Sheila Hopkins.

**Welcome:** President Peggy Clark welcomed members and introduced guests, Tomisha Eaton and Ana Montes from St. Eugene's, Tallahassee. They are interested in introducing Council to their Parish. Peggy and Sheila have been invited to St John's Parish, Panama City, to talk to their group of women about Council.

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

**Minutes:** August 24, 2013, Board Meeting minutes were approved as printed, sent and read.

**Officer Reports:**

**President:** Peggy reported we have begun NCCW "We are One" campaign; are working on "Hugs for the Homeless," Catholic Days at the Capitol and Burse Club. She thanked the ladies who are preparing for the 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention, "Jesus Christ – The Source of Our Hope," May 8-10, 2014. She invited everyone to Convention and said bring a friend. Report is on file.

**Vice President:** Sheila announced she would discuss Convention packets later in the meeting.

**Treasurer:** Judy Platt stated a beginning balance of \$16,638.46, revenue \$2,008.00, expenses \$2,201.54, leaving a balance of \$16,444.92. Scholarship \$515.00 and Priests' Calendar \$427.60 remain the same. Treasurer's report will be filed for audit.

**Secretary:** Grace Amell reported on updates to the roster. Report on file.

**Deanery President Reports:**

**Eastern Deanery:** Sue Weathersbee: Oral report given and on file.

**Northwest Deanery:** Martha Seep: Oral report given and on file.

**Southwest Deanery:** Cynthia Lacour: Oral report given and on file.

**West Central Deanery:** Alice McDonald excused. Carol Giguere gave Oral report

**Commission Reports:**

**Spirituality:** Tricia Zermeno excused.

**Service:** Cookie Coyle excused.

**Organization/Leadership:** Vacant. Peggy asked everyone to remember Barb Kiger and reflect on all the joy and hard work she brought to this Council.

**Special Committee Reports:**

**Sunshine:** Carol Giguere, FCCW Sunshine Chairman, gave oral report and it is on file.

**Burse Club:** Jan Shiplett had copies of new Burse Club cards to show.

**Pencil Points:** Jan Shiplett said a lot of ladies are signing up to receive Pencil Points by e-mail. The deadline for next issue is March 1, 2014.

**Ways and Means:** Dianne Hinds. The four baskets for drawing at Convention are Sun and Sand Beach, Eastern Deanery; Death by Chocolate, Northwest; Flower Power Gardening, Southwest; and Pamper Me Spa Basket, West Central. Oral report given and on file

**Historian:** Dottie Kime excused.

**Publicity:** Betty Otto: Convention “Save the date announcement” and press releases will be sent to The Catholic Compass, Daily News, and Pensacola News Journal. Report on file.

**Unfinished Business:** Judy Platt is still accepting dues money and also requests rosters.

**New Business:**

**“Hugs for the Homeless:”** Peggy requested names of Charities be sent to Judy. If you don’t know name yet, send with money to Judy. FCCW needs Charities names to write checks.

**FCCW 2014 Convention Gift for Drawing/Raffle (\$75 min)** Carol Giguere will donate gift.

**DCCW Convention 2014:** Board Meeting, May 8, Co-Cathedral St. Thomas More, 11 a.m.

Convention packets were distributed. Sheila reviewed the contents in detail. She stressed following instructions on registration form for making hotel reservations.

**Nominating Committee:** Jan Shiplett: Slate is Cynthia Lacour, President; Sue Weathersbee, Vice President; Linda Husbands, Secretary; Betty Otto, Treasurer. Nominations will be taken from the floor. All candidates must have a letter of approval from her Pastor

**Web Site and Rosters:** Thanks to Linda Husbands for her work on the Web Site. If you have changes or updated information send to her. Peggy requested as you elect officers in your Deaneries and affiliations send new rosters to P-T DCCW.

**Deanery/District Combination:** The Priests have combined Northwest and Southwest districts and are making them into one deanery called the Western Deanery. It is something for ladies in Northwest and Southwest Deaneries to talk about. Do you want to combine? It should be discussed, talked about, and prayed over a lot.

**We Are One Campaign:** Asking \$1 from every Catholic woman to reduce NCCW debt. Ten percent of the donations received will be set aside for the mission. The rest will erase the debt and reduce the cost of future gatherings of NCCW.

**Catholic Days at the Capitol:** Sheila told us this is a great opportunity to connect with your legislators. We need to say to our legislators this is what we believe as Catholics.

**Invited Guest:** Deacon Ray Aguado came to speak to us about Catholic Days at the Capitol. He handed out packets that had registration forms, hotel information, schedule of events and a pamphlet of the four main issues: Death, Education, Social Concerns and Health Care that the Conference likes to advocate for on that day.

**Spiritual Advisor’s Report:** Father Dawson said NCCW is working very hard to correct problems that have been plaguing us for so many years. He asked the ladies to be supportive of NCCW because they do a wonderful job for us nationally. Remember ‘Hugs for the Homeless’ money comes back to us for the charities we choose.

**Announcement:**

**Pencil Points Deadline:** March 1, 2014

**Next Meeting:** Thursday, May 8, 2014, Co-Cathedral St. Thomas More, Tallahassee, FL

**Closing Prayer:** Father Dawson

**Adjournment:** 12:00 p.m. CDT

**Dates to Remember:**

National Forty Days for Life –April 13 - March 5, 2014

2014 Catholic Charismatic Conference, March 21-23, 2014, Holy Name of Jesus, Niceville, FL

Catholic Days at the Capitol & Red Mass – March 25 & 26, 2014

DCCW Convention – May 8 - 10, 2014, Tallahassee, FL (Please note ending at lunchtime.)

FCCW Convention – October 23-25, 2014, Ft. Lauderdale, FL

**Web Addresses:**

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

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

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

Grace Amell

Secretary

Approved on: