

KDCCW BUSINESS MEETING

April 14, 2018

St. Stephen Catholic Church, Chattanooga, TN

The meeting was called to order by President, Karen Vacaliuc, at 8:30 AM. Opening prayers and Pledge of Allegiance were said by all. Sr. John Catherine Kennedy gave the opening prayer and reflection. No roll call was necessary per Parliamentarian, Anne Wharton. There was no Parliamentarian Report given. The minutes from the last meeting were approved as posted.

Treasurer, Amelia Sweeney, gave the treasurer's report, explaining the various expenses and the Council's ending balance. There was no discussion and the report was approved.

The Province Director, Diann Nance, stated how elated she was to see so many ladies attending the convention. She also explained our Louisville Province consists of four dioceses in Kentucky and three dioceses in Tennessee. Diann reported that the NCCW Board had voted to donate \$5,000 to Catholic Mobilizing Network toward a pro-life video. The video will cover three areas: death penalty, abortion and euthanasia. There are other organizations contributing to this video. If the projected \$75,000 is not obtained, CMN has pledged to return all donations and Diann said she would personally return any monies she collected. She also touched on the activities of the three NCCW Commissions and each one is explained in detail in convention booklet.

Karen spoke about the three goals she wanted to achieve during her presidency: Membership—each affiliate to add one new member to NCCW and she felt this was being accomplished with the help of Cathy Hundley, Leadership Committee Leader, and Lynn Christ, Membership Committee Leader. Karen recognized those from our KDCCW who have filled NCCW roles: Patty Johnson, Past President; Jane Carter, NCCW Leadership Commission Chair and LTD member; and Suzanne Erpenbach, LTD member and Nominations Committee member.

Deanery President Reports:

Chattanooga: Julie Bomar was excused; however, her complete report is in the convention booklet.

Cumberland: Nikki Kapolka spoke briefly on the various activities of their Deanery, especially their project for the next two years—St. Mary's Legacy Clinic. Her complete report is contained in the convention booklet.

Five Rivers: Michelle Ronsse congratulated the ladies in her Deanery for a wonderful attendance at their General Meeting on February 24, 2018. There were 45 ladies in attendance. Her complete report is contained in the convention booklet.

Smoky Mountain: Ilene Rainwater gave their report as Mary Wilson was excused. She spoke briefly about their Fall General Meeting at St. Joseph the Worker Parish and their Spring General Meeting held at St. Mary parish. She thanked Immaculate Conception Parish for being the drop off site for the Boxes of Joy, which was a large success.

Commission Reports:

Leadership: Cathy Hundley said their goal for the remainder of the year is to visit the parishes and asked them to contact her for any of their needs and to work on getting new parishes involved in NCCW. Her Committee is working on getting resources to each Deanery Leadership Chairperson. Her full report is within the convention booklet.

Legislative: Shirley Moore was excused but her complete report is in the convention booklet. It covers the fact that Tennessee elections are being targeted by the abortion industry, especially since the recent ruling to uphold

