

Executive Committee APPROVED
Meeting Minutes
December 9, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Grand President Leonard Zasoski at 8:25 PM.

Opening Prayer –Led by Msgr. Cardelli.

Roll Call. In attendance: : Msgr. Cardelli, Leonard Zasoski , Andy Pappani, Lauren Kilcullen, Deborah Rodondi, Leonard Rossi, Bob Basuino, Mike Rossi, Denise Antonowicz Excused: Vince Piro

Meeting Minutes: November 11, 2016 were approved as corrected. Page 2 – Br. 185 Chicago should be Fresno.

Communications:

- Lauren Kilcullen will scan and send to the committee the communications she received from the office.

Spiritual Director – *Msgr. Cardelli*

- Regarding the recent vote by email for the Awards Committee, Msgr. Cardelli recommends having a ballot sent to the Central Council in the future, so people know specifically what they are voting on. The majority of people voted yes on the proposal. The 1st proposal to limit to 3 letters passed. The 2nd proposal for changing the age limit to 35 was voted yes. After discussion, we may look at changing the age limit back to 39 at the June meeting.

Grand President – *Leonard Zasoski*

- Grand President Zasoski attended the following events:
 - Br. 209 and Br. 210's 50th Anniversaries. Both branches were very happy to make it to 50th anniversary and both had great events.
 - Reno Bishop's Day – Dec 4. 40 members and guests were in attendance.
- Upcoming events the Grand President will be attending:
 - Installations and Bishop's Days in January and February

Grand Treasurer – *Deborah Rodondi*

- The 2016 budget will have a bit of a deficit. Postage went higher than hoped.
- Deborah Rodondi has looked at a possible dues increase. To cover all the expenses, the dues should be \$43.00 to break even. If we didn't have the \$35,000 from hospitalization and money from events, we would be in worse financial shape. She will bring suggestions to the finance committee regarding dues. Mike Rossi would like a dues simplification, also.
- Discussion followed regarding the lag time on donation acknowledgements to donors and recipients. The finance committee will be looking at this to see what is causing the delay.

Deputy Chairperson – *Andy Pappani*

- Andy Pappani sent out letters went out for reassignment of deputies in the districts. San Diego needs a District Deputy, as the District Deputy is retiring.
- Letters will be going out to District Deputies for Deputies of the Year Awards to be given out at installation.
- Workshop Committee – San Diego had a workshop on Nov. 19 and it went well. Deborah Rodondi asked how many Central Council members went down to the workshop as a Central Council member put in a voucher for mileage without saying what it was for.
- East Bay and San Mateo are interested in a workshop
- Br. 290 – 3 voted to stay open and 32 voted to close the branch.
- Br. 367 – Charlene talked to Jackie Donato who hasn't said anything about closing the branch. Andy is trying to contact Frank, the branch president, to find out what is going on.
- Br. 4 – Bob Basuino said that they may be closing. The priest is supportive, but they don't get support from the members. The church burned two years ago.
- Deborah Rodondi suggested that there needs to be a line under cancellation that asks for a reason for the member's cancellation. Andy Pappani said the financial secretaries should send out the questionnaire to cancelling members and returned to the office.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Expansion – Mike Rossi

- Fr. Chris Bennett at St. Christopher's. Mike Rossi sent him an informational package for a sign up weekend in January. Mike will follow up. Fr. Chris wants the ICF.
- St. Francis in San Jose. Mike will be contacting the pastor to see if he is interested in the ICF.
- St. Maximillian in Westlake Village and St. Bruno in Whittier. Anne Interrante is reaching out to these parishes.
- St. William in Chicago and Casa Grande right now do not have enough interest to pursue branches at these locations.
- Mike Rossi is still waiting to meet Fr. Privitelli at a San Mateo district meeting. Deborah Rodondi is finding out when he will be at a meeting and will let Mike know.
- Leonard Rossi suggested looking at San Leandro – Assumption Church.

Membership -Vince Piro

- The \$30 for 5 new members incentive has started. Charlene will be keeping track of this.
- A letter was sent to branch presidents regarding appointing membership chairperson and the mentor program for new members.

By-Laws and Rituals - Leonard Rossi

- The committee is having a meeting on Jan. 6 at the office. They will be discussing the articles of incorporation.

Finance Report - Deborah Rodondi

- None

Public Relations – Lauren Kilcullen

- Lauren Kilcullen reported that she and Michelle are working again with the printer for better communication when the Bollettino is not printed when they would like it to be.
- It was asked to have Aaron Del Monte take off password on the officers' portal and to put an article Bollettino that there's no password.

Task Force –Vince Piro

- The committee will follow up with districts concerning having a workshop.

Gifts of Love – Deborah Rodondi

- We gave the Children's Hospital Oakland \$2000 for children to go yachting on the bay. We received photos, a flag and a hat from the USS Potomac. The organizer was very excited and said that if we didn't donate the money, the children would not have gone on the excursion.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

- Grand President Leonard Zasoski will be doing yearly evaluations mid-January for Charlene, Patty and Michelle.
- Church of Transfiguration trustee wants to know about bonding of the officers. Grand President Leonard Zasoski is going to talk to George Descalso about this.
- Holiday Gifts for office staff – move to give the same as last year for Charlene, Patty, Michelle and Dave: Leonard Rossi/Bob Basuino Passed.
- 75th Birthday gifts for Bishop Blaire and Bishop Pepe. Their birthdays will be in 2017. We will send them birthday cards.

ACTION ON COMMUNICATIONS:

- None

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- None

CLOSING PRAYER led by Msgr. Cardelli.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT: 10:15 PM by Grand President Leonard Zasoski.

Next Executive Committee meeting is January 13, 2016 at 5:30 PM via conference call.

Respectfully submitted,

Lauren Kilcullen,
Grand Secretary