Executive Committee APPROVED Meeting Minutes February 10, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Grand President Leonard Zasoski at 4:30 PM.

Opening Prayer –Led by Vince Piro.

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

Meeting Minutes: January 13, 2017 minutes were approved as corrected: Next Executive Committee is Feb. 10, 2017 not 2016.

Communications:

- Thank you from Pat and Lou Mages
- Thank you for birthday greetings from Bishop Blaire.
- Thank you for winning \$30 on the calendar raffle from Leroy Dolph
- Raffle tickets from L'Italo Americano. \$12 per ticket, \$30 for book of 3, \$50 for book of 6.
- Christmas Card from Cerafin and Diane Castillo Br. 47
- Discernment Retreat for Men for Diocese of San Jose announcement
- Thank you from Diana Bacigalupi for the donation for George Bacigalupi
- Thank you from the Salesian Boys and Girls Club for donation for George Bacigalupi

Special Report

Convention Director Roselynne Jarrett gave a special report on the 2017 Convention, which is coming along. Regarding future Conventions for 2020 and 2021, we are getting declined for proposals. She drafted RFPs with ending conventions on Monday and Sunday. Based on responses from hotels, reducing the length of the Convention isn't in our best financial interest.

Spiritual Director – Msgr. Cardelli

None

Grand President – Leonard Zasoski

Will give report tomorrow.

Grand Treasurer – Deborah Rodondi

Will discuss the finances tomorrow.

Since Las Vegas Br. 367 has closed, we will not have a Providenza Fund donation to Las Vegas in 2017. We will donate again, when we open new branches.

Deputy Chairperson – Andy Pappani

Andy Pappani will be presenting the proposal on the change in name from deputy to mentor at the Central Council meeting, tomorrow.

Andy has two new districts deputies - Maria Tollefson in San Diego and Burney Squeo in Fresno.

Br. 241 San Gabriel. Louisa Russo moved and the district couldn't find her. Charlene did some investigating and found that she moved to Riverside. The branch only has 7 members.

Br. 185 Fresno has 18 members. They do not want to close and will be holding a membership drive.

Br. 367 Las Vegas voted to close. The office will send a letter asking them to transfer to San Bernardino to stay in ICF, as there is no other branch in Las Vegas.

Br. 50 San Francisco– Andy sent a letter and there is a full slate of officers.

Br. 163 San Mateo– sent a letter. Andy is meeting with them in March. Mike Rossi asked if it's possible to keep the members as a "ghost" branch instead of transferring to another branch. This branch has a lot of members who never attend meetings. This could be a trial depending on how the meeting in March goes.

Br. 38 San Francisco – meeting on Feb. 15 with the priest to see what he can do to help the branch. The priest wants the branch.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Expansion – Mike Rossi

St. Christopher's – Jim Jones met with the priest after Mass and Fr. Chris said that he wants the ICF. Mike has tried to contact him and he still hasn't responded.

San Diego – Andy Pappani talked to them at the installation and they have ideas for new areas. Mike Rossi or Anne Interrante will talk to Jody Balistreri and Forrest Price.

Las Vegas – Lou Mages will meet with Bishop Pepe

Anne Interrante has been talking to Patty Jarrett who will contact some pastors in Contra Costa District. Anne Interrante has talked with the Orange District president about Mission Viejo.

The committee is trying to get 3 branches this year, but none of the possibilities have come to fruition. The training slides were sent out. They need to be proofed and then put online under officer information.

Membership -Vince Piro

We currently have 9550 members.

The committee is changing its focus to retention of members.

The committee wants the branch deputies talk to the presidents to see if they have started the Amici di Cuore program.

By-Laws and Rituals-Leonard Rossi

None

Finance Report-Deborah Rodondi

None.

Public Relations – Lauren Kilcullen

The committee will be meeting tomorrow and look at the Bollettino advertisement rates.

Task Force –Vince Piro

The committee will be evaluating the Strategic Plan. We need to work on a new or a revision of the current plan in the Spring and make a new plan. Vince Piro wants to set dates in April or early May for a strategic plan all day event. Executive Committee and Task Force Committee would be invited to the meeting.

The committee is working with the workshop committee on giving workshops on retention of members.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Open house on the Sunday after the Central Council meeting in June. The open house will be June 11.

NEW BUSINESS

Lauren Kilcullen brought up Central Council members not in attendance at Central Council meetings for three times in a row.

ACTION ON COMMUNICATIONS:

L'Italo Americano raffle tickets – not purchasing.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Denise Antonowicz asked for continued prayers for her nephew.

CLOSING PRAYER led by Vince Piro.

MEETING ADJOURMENT: 6:20 PM by Grand President Leonard Zasoski.

Next Executive Committee meeting is March 10, 2017 at 7:00 PM via conference call.

Respectfully submitted,

Lauren Kilcullen, Grand Secretary