

Executive Committee APPROVED
Meeting Minutes
June 9, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Grand President Leonard Zasoski at 4:38 PM.

Opening Prayer –Led by Denise Antonowicz.

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

Meeting Minutes: May 13, 2017 minutes are approved as corrected. Add “some” to “tax returns to *some* branches.”

Communications:

- Thank you letters for our Providenza Fund Donations from:
 - Mundelein Seminary in Chicago - \$1500
 - Bishop Blaire of Stockton - \$1500
 - ICF for Br. 14's 90th Anniversary - \$50
 - ICF in memory of Archbishop Niederauer - \$50
 - ICF for Msgr. Cardelli's 60th Anniversary - \$100

Spiritual Director – Msgr. Cardelli

- None

Grand President – Leonard Zasoski

- He will give his report tomorrow at the Central Council meeting.

Grand Treasurer –Deborah Rodondi

- Deborah Rodondi reported that the Finance Committee reviewed the budget ending May 31 at their meeting earlier today. Line item 15, Central Council Dinners, is low because everybody paid for their own dinners in February.
- The ICF will be receiving \$1200 in commission for the April cruise to Hawaii.
- Line 33 telephone conferencing, is higher, right now, due to paying the initial yearly fee.

Deputy Chairperson –Andy Pappani

- There will be a District Deputy meeting on June 14 at 7 PM. The deputies have been sent letters.
- Andy Pappani redid the statute change from February and it will be voted on tomorrow.
- Br. 4, San Jose, had their last fundraiser on Wednesday night. Andy is trying to get a date to set a meeting either at the parish or at another parish. Bob Basuino said that if it's not at the parish, no members will come. The issue is that the parish usually charges rent for the hall, which the branch can't afford. The letter requesting to close came from the officers and not the entire membership. Bob Basuino said they had a meeting.
- Br. 185, Fresno, the president hasn't returned Vince Piro's phone calls. The branch was supposed to do a membership drive three weeks ago.
- Br. 118, Montebello, has 9 members. They want to run through their money and then close. Andy wants to talk to Anne Interrante and Pat Mages who were supposed to work with them this past year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Expansion – Mike Rossi

- Anne Interrante is progressing in Los Angeles. Immaculate Conception in Monrovia waiting to get a meeting date. This would be a reopening of a branch.
- Whittier, St. Bruno, has scheduled a September sign up weekend.
- Anne Interrante has reached out to 7 other parishes. She has also reached out to parishes in Orange County where we used to have branches.
- San Bernardino District– 3 parishes have been reached out to.
- San Jose – St. Christopher’s - we’re waiting until Fr. Chris is either better or a new priest goes in. The associate pastor is pro ICF, also. There are 3 other parishes the committee is looking at, also.
- In the East Bay District, they are looking at San Leandro.
- Nevada – the committee is concerned that we only have one branch in Reno. Charlyne Pacini said they are getting members from all over the city. Lou Mages is going to try again in Carson City.
- The committee has also reached out to Stockton, Sacramento, Contra Costa, and Santa Rosa.
- We probably won’t have new branches by the convention.
- Deborah Rodondi said that we’ll be giving the banners to the branches from last year, so we will have a celebration at the convention.
- Grand President Leonard Zasoski said there is a new parish, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in Bakersfield. The Pastor is interested in the ICF. It’s on the west side of Bakersfield and wouldn’t take members from the existing branches.
- A member in San Jose suggested looking at Vancouver, WA or Portland, OR area. The committee will discuss this further.

Membership - Vince Piro

- The ICF’s membership is 9,426 members as of April. We are down 257 members from July 2016. The \$30 incentive has gained us 55 new members. Carmen Kilcullen wrote the June membership column.
- The committee wants to brainstorm about incentive programs to get new members at the membership meeting tomorrow.
- At the convention, they are going to do the retention workshop.
- Mike Rossi said Marcie Rossi gave the membership talk at their Church and the branch gained 14 members.

By-Laws and Rituals-Leonard Rossi

- Tomorrow we will discuss the convention proposals for Central Council approval to bring to the convention.
- Vince Piro suggested having a cycle to go through the by-laws to keep them updated.
- Deborah Rodondi said that there are no proposals from the branches, this year. All the proposals came from the Central Council Committees.

Finance Report-Deborah Rodondi

- Tomorrow the committee will bring to the Central Council an assessment increase for Public Relations of \$1.20 per year.
- The office and the committee are trying to open some new accounts at Bank of America that are all cash, which would make check writing easier. Right now, they are cash accounts at UBS that we write checks from, but it is cumbersome. Deborah Rodondi and David Rose went to Bank of

America to open the accounts for Scholarship, reserve, etc. They will be reviewing the Visa cards to see if we can get one that gives us points or money back for spending.

- Convention Voucher – Deborah Rodondi will discuss this tomorrow. The committee recommends adding Sunday night banquet to the voucher. This will cost us about \$1,200.
- The committee made a new dues schedule, which simplifies the dues chart.
- Deborah Rodondi discussed the health care for Charlene and Patty. Instead of a pay raise in October, the committee recommends readjusting the cap of \$20K total. The committee is agreement on this. Will present this tomorrow. See sheet.

Public Relations – Lauren Kilcullen

- Lauren Kilcullen is working with Aaron DelMonte on updates to the website.

Task Force –Vince Piro

- Vince Piro will discuss the updates to the Strategic Plan tomorrow. After it gets approved, the committee will send out worksheets to the Central Council committees to see what they are doing to implement the Strategic Plan.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

- Denise Antonowicz asked if we're doing a papal blessing for Msgr. Cardelli. It takes about 3 months for the process. Msgr. Cardelli asked about this. Leonard Rossi will go to the Oakland diocese for the order form to send to the Vatican.
- Deborah Rodondi presented the following three branches who want to be excused from the Convention:
 - Br. 118, Montebello, Motion to excuse: Deborah Rodondi/Leonard Rossi. Passed.
 - Br. 258, St. Elizabeth, San Francisco. Motion to fine: Vince Piro/ Lauren Kilcullen. Passed.
 - Br. 358, River Forest, IL. Motion to excuse: Denise Antonowicz/Mike Rossi. Passed.

ACTION ON COMMUNICATIONS:

- No action.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- Grand President Leonard Zasoski said his Mom is doing better. He thanked everyone for their prayers.
- Denise Antonowicz said today was the best day for her Mom since April.
- We all wished congratulations to Msgr. Cardelli for his 60th Anniversary.
- Leonard Rossi said the cruise to Hawaii was great.

CLOSING PRAYER led by Denise Antonowicz

MEETING ADJOURNMENT: 6:00 PM by Grand President Leonard Zasoski.

Next Executive Committee meeting is July 15 2017, 10:00 AM in the office.

Respectfully submitted,

*Lauren Kilcullen,
Grand Secretary*