

## THOMAS MERTON CENTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2017, 7:30 p.m., THOMAS HOUSE MINUTES

**Present:** Bill Voorhees, Rosana Madrigal de Beattie, Mike McMahon, Helen Bunje, Mary O'Connor and Vicki Sullivan **Absent:** Gerard McGuire **Guests:** Diana Diamond and Kay Williams

# **Agenda Introduction:**

Meeting leader: Vicki Meeting prayer leader: Mary Meeting secretary: Rosana

## **Ongoing Business:**

- 1. Abolishing the Death Penalty in California and Speakout Committee's Diana Diamond and Kay Williams presented proposed letter for Governor Brown to commute the death sentences of those currently on California's death row. **ACTION:** Those present approved. Vicki will email Gerard for approval.
- 2. Review December Board Minutes-ACTION: Mike moved to approve, Bill second with the changing in item 4-from dead to deceased and it was approved.
- 3. TMC Public Policy Distribution: ACTION: Helen will take to Spiritual Education.
- **4.** Annual Appeal and Finance Report: **ACTION:** Vicki will ask Seton principal to come to next TMC Board meeting with a (low 4-digit) financial proposal for the school. A Thank You note to be placed in the TMC Bulletin. Helena Wee has agreed to take over for Judy Creek and signature Cards to be done when turnover is complete.
- 5. Adopt-A-Family Report. ACTION: Vicki to ask Barbara Kent for a brief report.

## **Committee Reports**

- 1. Finance: see above.
- 2. Spiritual Education see above
- 3. Liturgy ACTION: Bill to write a Thank You for Christmas in the TMC Bulletin.
- 4. Hospitality **ACTION:** Another volunteer is needed to pick-up donuts.
- 5. Website: Looks nice. ACTION: up and running

## New Business:

- **1.** Prayer Service San Jose Diocese & Muslims. **ACTION:** Vicki took names of those able to help and attend.
- 2. Annual Membership Meeting Organization ACTION: None
- **3.** Annual Membership Renewal Letter. **ACTION:** Rosana to draft and give to Mike to review with Helena Wee then bring back to board for approval.
- **4.** Bob Foley is working with Jesuits on a Caminata. **ACTION:** Bill gave us Bob executive summary.

Adjournment – Mike moved, Bill Second and all present approved.

**Closing prayer - faith sharing** Next meeting: February 9, 2017; Thomas House Next meeting leader: Vicki Next meeting prayer leader: Mary Next meeting secretary: Rosana