

Women of Pax Leadership Board Meeting
Thursday, April 21, 2022
Pax Christi Catholic Church

The Women of Pax Leadership Board met at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 21, 2022, via Zoom. The following people were in attendance: Janet Graves, Barb Johnston, Beth Kosta, Mary Mataitis, Carol O'Connor, Sandy Timm, and Maxine Trolander.

Maxine Trolander opened the meeting and led us in prayer. Because Beth Kosta needed to leave for another meeting, we decided to change the order of business and discuss the Confirmation Reception on May 13, since she is going to help with it.

Pax Christi Confirmation will be on Friday, May 13, this year. Mary and Carol agreed to facilitate the reception. We reviewed what had been done in the past with food and decorations. We decided that we wanted to eliminate some of the decorating that had been done in the past. Instead of flowers on every table, we will have a centerpiece on the main table. We will not use balloons to decorate and direct traffic (since they never worked as planned) and will simply have people come up one side of the table. Mary said we still have red and white tablecloths and we will alternate those on the tables. Maxine is going to see if there is still some decorative ribbon that can be used to decorate the tables. We will need small plastic plates, flatware, and glasses. Beth will investigate and purchase those. Barb checked the price of sheet cakes at Costco. A decorated cake that will serve 48 will cost \$19. Mary said she would check with the Parish Administrator to see if Pax has a Costco Card. In addition to cake, we will serve lemonade or punch. We will discuss this further after Mary and Carol meet with Anna Nordquist (confirmation coordinator).

Minutes: Mary presented the minutes from the March 24th meeting. They were approved as corrected.

The financial report: Janet Graves presented the financial reports for March, 2022. Our balance on February 28 was \$1935.93. We had a deposit on March 9th of \$150 from a funeral stipend, and \$.26 in interest. Our balance on March 31 was \$20.86.19. The report was approved as presented.

Updates: March and April

- ◆ WOP/Catholic Charities Diaper Drive: This was a huge success. With the help of Janet, Sandy, and Maxine and her husband John, we counted and hauled the following items to Catholic Charities:
 - ▶ Diapers: 7,075 and Wipes: 10,670
 - ▶ Shampoo Bottles: 21 and Lotion: 17
 - ▶ Miscellaneous (5 Tissues, 2 laundry soap, 5 quilts, 5 clothing, 2 teething rings)
- ◆ Soup Luncheon and Social, April 5, 2022
Carol did a great job coordinating. WOP board members made delicious soups, brought cookies, set up and cleaned up afterward.
- ◆ Debriefing notes: We should do this again! We served 36 people, including Mary and Henry. We should continue to invite the Pax staff -- we had five of them attend. We probably only needed four crock pots of soup. We shouldn't worry about running out

because people will still get something to eat. We ran out of chicken wild rice, so maybe should do two next time. The broccoli cheese, squash, and potato leek were very popular. The gluten-free, dairy free options were much appreciated. We had a lot of leftover buns and crackers, but we know people ate the buns. We could do with fewer of each. In our announcement/flyer, we should note that Gluten Free and Vegetarian soups are available

May Meeting

- ◆ We decided to join with the Men of Pax for our May Meeting. MJ Jones will share the results of the Pax Synod Sessions which she organized and facilitated. The Men will provide pizza in the dining hall beginning at 6:15 pm, serving from the cafeteria line. The Women of Pax will provide other items if they wish: bars, cookies, fruit, etc.
- ◆ **Confirmation Reception** (See discussion at the beginning of the Minutes.)

Meeting for Funeral Workers

- ◆ Purpose of meeting: To enjoy time together, to discuss our procedures and ask for suggestions, to review food safety guidelines
- ◆ Sandy and Carol will lead the discussion of safe practices. Mary will provide the materials that we used during earlier during Food Safety classes.
- ◆ An invitation will be sent to everyone on our Funeral Volunteer list.
- ◆ We will also put an announcement in the Pax Bulletin inviting those who might be interested.
- ◆ After discussion, we decided to schedule the meeting on Monday, May 23, at 9:30.

June Meeting

- ◆ Our June meeting will be on June 7. We will say the Rosary in the Grotto. We will try to reserve Wednesday, June 8, as a rain date.
- ◆ Members will be asked to bring chairs.
- ◆ We decided to do an ice cream social with individual cups of ice cream before the Rosary to allow time to socialize.
- ◆ Maxine will get access to the sound system and also ask two people to lead the Rosary.
- ◆ We discussed asking members to bring donations to a cause such as Saint Vincent de Paul but no decision was made. We will discuss more at our May Board Meeting.

Next Board Meeting

- ◆ Our next meeting will be at 6:30 on May 19, 2022, via Zoom if necessary.
- ◆ Carol led us in a Prayer in honor of Earth Day. The meeting adjourned at 8:15.

Mary Mataitis
Secretary