

Attendance: Angela Feltz, Jim Connors, Velma Burke, Deacon Bill Jacobs, Lois Schering, Teri Gabor, Gary Gabor, Betty MacDougall, and Vicki Johnson, and Baron Johnson.

Absent: Bogdan Vacaliuc, Piotr Ulmer, Brendan Foley and Israel Figueroa.

Deacon Bill Jacobs opened with prayer.

Angie Feltz welcomed all.

Angie Feltz led us in the Leaders Prayer.

Group reunion took place.

Secretary Report – Teri Gabor – Teri emailed the Secretariat minutes from the October 25 meeting out to all members. Corrections were made and sent back out. No further corrections needed to be made. The minutes were accepted as corrected.

Treasurer Report – Baron Johnson – See Report for details. Savings \$6153.80, Checking \$2480.83. Treasurer's report is accepted.

Nigerian Account – Lois Schering – Nigerian account balance is \$1774.10.

Pre-Cursillo – Vicki Johnson – See Report. There are potentially 9 Men for the upcoming Men's weekend. Betty McDougall mentioned that Anna Nelson's husband will have his application in as soon as he gets the final signatures on it. He would be the 10th person for the Men's Weekend. We heard there are a couple more women who will send in their applications for the Women's Weekend. Jim Connors has another candidate.

Cursillo – Jim Connors – See Report. 15 Women completed the weekend. A 16th had to be taken home and wants to attend the next weekend. Deacon Al really helped us out and wants to attend the next men's weekend. Kitchen team did a great job despite the problems. Will need to post a sign on the door so in the future they will know when the Chapel is in use. Will see if the Spanish Cursillo community can use the dry erase board. If they are needed in the future, we can get them back. Monsignor Garrity would like to help. Father Jerry can help also. Deacon Bill said that the Deacons can do all the clergy talks. Deacon Bill has a large coffee pot that he is willing to donate. Still looking for help from the community, otherwise Jim will need to be on site. Lois and Angie both mentioned that in the past, the kitchen team has never paid for the weekend. Recommending that the kitchen team are not required to pay but can make a donation if they want. All members agreed that the kitchen team will not be required to pay for the weekend but can make a donation if they wish. Men's Weekend for May 19-22, 2022 is accepted. October 27-30, 2022 and December 1-4, 2022 will be reserved for upcoming weekends. Will look into the 2023 schedule.

Post Cursillo – Betty MacDougall – See Report. There are two Ultreya's meeting monthly. OLOF and St. Mary's. Held a Grand Ultreya after the Women's Weekend, December 4, 2021 at 10:00am at OLOF. About 25 Cursillistas attended. Speaker did well. Group Reunions – Johnson City women's Tuesday at 4pm and men's Tuesday at 5:30. OLOF has 4 group reunions – three women and one men. St. Jude has two, men Saturday morning at 7am, Women Saturday morning at 9am. Lois said that her group meets Tuesday morning, with about 7 members. Because of circumstances, it is rare that they all meet together. The Women's Clausura was on November 7th at 4pm with about 30+ people attending. The Men's Clausura was postponed. Discussed a fund in Fr. Joe Brando's name to cover the cost of those who cannot afford to attend a Cursillo Weekend.

School of Leaders – Velma Burke – Had a lean year, had 3 out of 6 meetings. Zoom made for good reunions. Appreciates Deacon Bill as Spiritual Advisor. Velma's resources for preparation for all SOL this year has been the Step by Step Manual, Eduardo Bonine's 100 Years Biography Mentality, Pilgrim's Guide, My Spiritual Testament, The Fundamental Ideas and the How and Why Booklet. Participation has been low. There is nowhere where we formally introduce the SOL. There is a lot of misinformation. How can we do a better job of getting folks to understand that SOL is a good thing. Need more information from all parishes. Need someone to do the Newsletter. Need to consider a Rectora for 2022.

Step By Step – Lois Schering – Step by Step will apply to the next Women's weekend. Will do Thursday of the weekend. Will be introduced year by year so it isn't overwhelming.

Spiritual Advisor - Deacon Bill Jacobs – Submitted May 19-22, 2022 to Fr. Alex but he cannot commit at this time. Will not plan weekends around Fr. Alex's schedule. Remember to use the 1st of the month as a day of prayer for Cursillo.

Parish Reps –Gary Gabor – Diocesan Website, there is nothing mentioned about Cursillo, and it should be mentioned even if just a link to the Cursillo website. Deacon Bill will ask Deacon Scott about it. Lois mentioned that they plan to have an article put into the East Tennessee Catholic about the 25th anniversary. Said we can revamp the article and push the 25th Anniversary.

Palanca – Lois Schering – Just before the Women's Weekend her printer died. She has a new printer now. Lois would like us to all do Palanca for Deacon Al and will send a letter to him.

Regional Encounter – Baron Johnson offered to be the cook for the Regional Encounter Weekend. Velma Burke will work with him. Jim Connors will help with arrangements for CPOP. The weekend is the 18th of March – Friday evening with a meal at 6, starting at 7 or 7:30. All day Saturday, probably 4 talks. Fr. Alex is doing the Keynote on Saturday and business meeting on Friday. Three or four of the Regional Team will be talking. Saturday evening Mass is for Sunday. We are responsible for the morning and evening prayers. Will discuss if we will use the Pilgrims Guide or something else. Will have notebooks with paper for attendees. Suggest they bring their name tags. Applications are ready to go. Database is ready. Just need estimated expenses, which will be done in January.

25th Anniversary – Lois Schering – Lois and Dick Shriver have gotten together several times. They will be contacting others to help. Dick is handling the Grand Ultreya and the Mass. The Grand Ultreya and the Fiesta will be in the Shea Room with everyone bringing a dish.

Secretariat Vacancies – School of Leaders, Treasurer, Post Cursillo and Music. Angie has been looking for and asking people about the SOL and Treasurer positions. No response yet for School of Leaders and Post Cursillo. Judy Holt emailed Angie that she was interested in the Music position. The Secretariat accepted Judy for the Music position. Jim recommended that we talk to our small group reunions about possible people to fill the positions.

Update – On January 12, 2022, Angie Feltz sent out an email letting the Secretariat know that Gary Gabor had sent her an email voicing his interest in filling the treasurer position. All Secretariat members responded in the affirmative. Gary and Baron will meet sometime in the future.

Lois spoke about comments being made on the Facebook group from a deacon in our diocese posting things from the Dominican Republic. Lois let him know that any comments made on the Facebook page should be about Cursillo. A second post was put on the group in Spanish that did not mention Cursillo. A third post was made in English that also did not mention Cursillo. This post was deleted. Lois is letting the Secretariat know about this in case any questions come up.

Next Meeting – No date yet for the next meeting. *Update – Next Secretariat meeting will be February 28, 2022, at 7:00 pm via Zoom.*

Deacon Bill led the closing prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Teri Gabor

Secretary