

FLAT RIVER RIGHT TO LIFE

MINUTES

August 19, 2009

Opening: Meeting called to order at 7:22 pm.

Present: Tom and Candy Schmiedicke, Melissa Smith, Carol Hale, Tony and Nora Kam, and Dale Reyburn.

Dale led with prayer.

Secretary's Report: Minutes from July 15 meeting read and approved with date correction.

Treasurer's Report:

Beginning balance: \$ 443.67

- \$26 donation from Ionia Free Fair booth sent to Bob Fahey.

- \$200 to pay for billboard fee.

Ending Balance: \$243.67.

Old Business:

*Bob Fahey – video “Demographic Winter part 2 is coming out. It discusses the planned parenthood agenda of the genocide of black America.

New Business:

*Carol Hale – Carol brought a proposal that is part art and part education. She found the artwork of Chris Jordan who does Digital/Pointillism. She saw him on the Bill Meyers program. She suggest getting the National and State Right to Life groups to help sponsor the project. Basically, she wants the artist to take millions of images of babies (or something to represent aborted babies) and make one large picture. Then the art would be displayed or sold. For example, he made a large picture of a forest out of small images or toothpicks to represent the waste of our environment for magazine. The project has been pushed back until the banquet is done and everyone gets a chance to check out his website.

*Tony Kam – 40 Days for Life project runs from Sept 23 – November 1. Prayer in front of the Grand Rapids abortion clinic 24/7. September 20 is the kick-off rally. Fr. Phil has been given a packet. Melissa to call in a week to discuss the possibility of St. Charles getting involved. We would select a day of the week and then have people sign up for times to go the clinic and pray every week. The Knights of Columbus have been asked to take the night shift. Dale will see if Faith Baptist would like to share the day with St. C. Melissa and Nora volunteered to co-chair. There is also the opportunity to fast instead of going to Grand Rapids.

*Annual Banquet: Dale to check on equipment needs and bio for Gilbert Morris. Melissa had a rough draft of the flyer/invite. The menu was added to the flyer. We plan on mailing out at the September meeting. Will need volunteers to fold and stuff. Will reinstate the registration table. Must remember nametags this year and need to buy them yet. Need to check with Mary about purchasing envelopes and supplies for mailing. Melissa to contact Denise about supplies that we borrow from her. Sarah (Schmiedicke) to be in charge of the kitchen. To contact Phil Ply, the Stanford family, the Wyse girls, and others to serve and prep dinner. Joanne said she would help with a centerpiece as usual.

*The Vendors' Expo has asked us to take over the concession sales and sub sales. We will receive the proceeds as a fundraiser. Melissa and Mary are co-chairing the project. Volunteers are needed to sell subs and on October 2 and 3. We will send out the order forms by the group email in case anyone wants to order. Pick up of pre-ordered sub will be October 2 and 3 at St. Charles. Plan on putting up thank you signs for donations and for upcoming events.

Meeting adjourned: Tom moved; Dale seconded the motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned. Dale closed with prayer at 8:15 pm.

Next meeting: Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, September 16, 7:15 PM in Conference Room 1 in the lower level of St. Charles.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Smith
Secretary