

59th BIENNIAL CONVENTION ANNUAL MEETING

Saturday, April 21, 2018

St. Anne's Catholic Church Wausau, WI

CALL TO ORDER: Kathy Herfel, President, called the meeting to order at 1 p.m. Kathy welcomed all Parish and Deanery Presidents and all guests present.

QUORUM: Nancy Wilder, Secretary, conducted roll call with quorum met of the La Crosse Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Board Members.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Minutes of the 58th Biennial Convention, April 9th, 2016 were approved as written.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

LEADERSHIP TRAINING AND DEVOPMENT DAY: On August 4, 2018 a Leadership Training Development Team from the NCCW will be in La Crosse to hold a day of learning prayer and formation. Please plan on attending. Flyers are available today and on our LDCCW website.

ADOPTION OF BYLAWS: Lorraine Riedl addressed President Kathy Herfel stated that the Bylaws Committee has drawn up proposed amendments to the LDCCW Bylaws and the committee requests adoption of these bylaws. Kathy Herfel then put forth the question of adopting the LDCCW Bylaws. A vote was taken and all were in favor. The new bylaws will go in to effect immediately.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS: Lorraine Riedl announced all scholarship and grant recipients. Five camp scholarships were given. Each received \$320.00 toward camp. One grant will go to a college student to help sponsor her Fellowship of Catholic University Students (FOCUS) training. Another grant will go to a parish to purchase a bible study and books and also to help the parish put on Rural Life Days. The Fr. Wavra scholarship will go for someone to attend the Lay Formation Institute.

NEW BUSINESS

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES: Nominating Committee Chair Lu Ann Miller named the following officer candidates who have been approved by Bishop Callahan:

PRESIDENT: Lorraine Riedl

President Elect: Melanie Frei

Vice President: Susan Tully

Secretary: Marie Fleisner

Treasurer: Renee Lindstrom

Nominations were asked from the floor, no nominations received. Hearing no nominations, motions were made to accept the nominations. The motion was seconded and all were in favor. The nominated women were voted in as officers for the La Crosse Diocesan Council of Catholic Women for the term of April 2018-April 2020.

INSTALATION AND PRESENTATION OF NEW OFFICERS: The newly elected officers President Lorraine Riedl, President Elect Melanie Frei, Vice President Susan Tully, Secretary Marie Fleisner and Treasurer Renee Lindstrom. Father Wolf then installed the new officers of the La Crosse Diocesan Council of Catholic Women for 2018-2020.

OUTGOING OFFICERS AND COMMISSIONS: Father Wolf, Spiritual Advisor for the La Crosse Diocesan Council of Catholic Women and President Kathy Herfel thanked the outgoing officers and commission chairs for their past two years of service. Father Wolf called the outgoing officers and Commission chairs to come forward. Past President Lu Ann Miller, Vice President Melanie Frei, Secretary Nancy Wilder, Treasurer Susan Tully, Leadership Commission Judy Conner, Spirituality Commission Candace McGrath and Service Commission Delrose Patzner-Hansen.

NEW COMMISSION CHAIRS: Lorraine Riedl introduced her new Commission Chairs; Kay Kessler-Spirituality, Candace McGrath- Service and Kathy Herfel- Leadership and installed them.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Monsignor Diermeier spoke on being the bearer of joy, hope and mercy.

CLOSING PRAYER: Father Wolf said the closing prayer.

ADJOURNED: Being no other business the Annual Meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Nancy Wilder, LDCCW Secretary