

**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF  
CWL CORPUS CHRISTI COUNCIL**

May 9, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in the Church Hall at Holy Spirit Chapel

**PRESENT:** There were 44 members present.

**OPENING PRAYER:** The President, Geri Pedlar, opened the meeting with the League Prayer and the Prayer for the Intention of Pope Francis. We said a Hail Mary for our ill and needy members and especially for Margherita Bordignon.

**WELCOME:** The President welcomed everyone and said she was glad to be back.

**SPIRITUAL REFLECTION:** We were reminded that Mass and the Rosary were celebrated prior to the Meeting and the members were encouraged to attend.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** The Minutes from the meeting held April 11, 2018 were approved as read. Seconded by Carol Gautier.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- Thank letter from the Catholic Family Camp;
- Thank you letter from Kelowna Right to Life Society;
- Thank you letter from Caroline Ann-Alter re attendance at the Convention;
- Letter from Euthanasia Prevention Coalition;
- Letter from Employment and Social Development Canada re reply from our Canada Summer Jobs letter.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The Treasurer, Mary Cacchioni, reported that at May 9, 2018 we have a balance of \$10,826.08.

**CHAIRPERSON'S REPORTS:**

**ORGANIZATION:** Marie Federico and Margaret Ward reported as follows:

- Membership dues collected for 2018 is 100%
- Membership is 132. Three members have passed away, four members have ceased membership and one member has moved.
- There are nine birthdays and seven anniversaries this month.

**COMMUNITY LIFE:** Marilee Bafia reported:

- She attended the Annual Spring Supper for Freedom's Door.
- A local legally blind 24 year old woman from Kelowna won a gold medal at the first Super Cup Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu Championships.
- The Light the Night Walk took place on April 21, 2018.
- On May 19, 2018 the Shoppers Run for Women takes place. They have raised \$3.4M for mental health.

**SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT:** Donna Rush reported as follows:

- She referred to two articles from the Catholic CWL website:
  - From the Pope on the sign of the cross;

- The Holy Father's prayer intention for the month of May.
- She referred to a writing by Richard Rohr on Namaste.
- She reminded us of Books and Authors – refer your favorite book and/or author to others.

**EDUCATION AND HEALTH:** Madeleine Burnell was absent:

**CHRISTIAN FAMILY LIFE:** Gloria Chopik reported as follows:

- Vicki Deshner from the Pregnancy Care Centre will join us for the Baby Shower.
- She referred to the Spring League Magazine and the Christian Family Life report on page 16.
- There will be flowers for sale on Mother's Day. All proceeds go to Kelowna Right to Life Society.
- She attended the Diocesan Convention in Penticton.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Margaret Koenig reported as follows:

- A mass card was sent to the following
  - Odile Hoffman family – mass was on May 7<sup>th</sup>
  - Marie Petterson family
  - Deanna Olesiejuk.
- Group three did the luncheon for 120 people in honour of George Janicki.
- With Jennie Sali's assistance, she placed announcements in the Bulletin.

**RESOLUTIONS and LEGISLATION:** Both Kate Evans and Jo Showalter were absent.

**PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE:** Margaret Ward advised that she spoke to Father Pat about the CWL window and he said it is too early to do it. The sewer system is being put in. The renovations should be completed in July.

**PAST PRESIDENT REPORTS:**

- Jennie Sali reported as follows:
  - She reminded us that election time is approaching and asked that each member discern her talent for the new Executive.
  - Gloria Chopik is our President-elect. We are very grateful and thank you.
- Caroline Ann-Alter reported as follows:
  - She is the Resolution/Legislation Chairperson in the new Diocesan executive.
  - We are all busy but can grow in our spiritual life in our busyness.

**HISTORIANS:** Elaine Senger and Evelyn Vielvoye reminded us to give her any pictures referring to the CWL

**OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Gloria Chopik and Margaret Ward reported on the Convention as follows:
  - Gloria reported on the presentation by Alex Scadenberg from Euthanasia Prevention Coalition.
    - They have just completed their second documentary film called "Fatal Flaws". It is to be shown on EWTN.
    - It is his hope that the film will be shown in all churches as well as other communities.

- He referred to a charity called Compassionate Community Care.
  - On occasion doctors will lie in order to facilitate euthanasia.
  - She referred to [www.youtube.com/watch?v=6Cm](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6Cm) for a testimonial.
  - There is more information on the website at [www.epcc.ca](http://www.epcc.ca)
  - Margaret Ward reported on the very emotional testimonial by Marie Clark from Rachel's Vineyard. Everyone was in tears.
2. Jennie Sali referred to the Memorial Mass for the Unborn on May 14, 2018 at Immaculata Conception Church. Mass at 7:00 p.m. with Bishop Gregory Bittman followed by coffee and refreshments and Elizabeth Sutcliffe, guest speaker. She encouraged all to attend.
  3. **MOTION** made by Jennie Sali, seconded by Vicki Agar, that we have Pot Luck Supper for CWL members only on June 15, 2018 commencing at 5:00 p.m. with dining at 5:45 p.m. **CARRIED.**
  4. Geri Pedlar will organize Visitation Groups. She will be phoning members.

### NEW BUSINESS:

1. The CWL at Immaculata Conception Church are hosting a celebration on May 15, 2018 in honour of Our Lady of Good Counsel. It will commence with mass at 8:00 p.m. followed by a brunch.
2. **MOTION** made by Gloria Chopik, seconded by Jennie Sali, that we pay \$50.00 for the Group Fee membership in Euthanasia Prevention Coalition **CARRIED.**
3. The Diocesan President, Debbie Cloutier, will be a guest speaker at our meeting in September, 2018.
4. **MOTION** made by Gloria Chopik, seconded by Joanne Fulop that we pay \$100.00 to Caroline Ann-Alter for costs incurred in attending the Provincial Convention in Whitehorse on June 21, 2018. **CARRIED.**

### OTHER MATTERS:

1. Mary Tereposky asked that all members be given a copy of the Agenda at the General meetings.
2. **MOTION** made by Mary Terposky, seconded by Marilee Bafia, that the luncheons we cater to that if the CWL is requested to assist a family and only provide coffee, tea and service or should they want different items than what we usually provide, or if they provide their own food items or if CWL is engaged to serve that food, that the member be reimbursed for gas. **MOTION** made by Marie Federico, seconded by Jacquie Schneider, that the above motion be tabled until the June meeting. **CARRIED.**
3. Geri Pedlar worked at McDonald's on behalf of the CWL.
4. Caroline Ann-Alter gave a presentation to Elaine Senger in appreciation for a booklet she made for the Convention.

### CLOSING PRAYER:

The meeting concluded with the Closing Prayer "Our Lady of Good Council".

The next meeting will be the Pot Luck Supper held on June 15, 2018.

Respectfully submitted:

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Paulette Wolfe. Secretary

The meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m. followed by a Baby Shower and Pot Luck Luncheon.