

Fargo Diocese Cursillo ~~~ Secretariat Meeting Minutes May 6, 2017

Norm called the meeting to order and welcomed members and guests. Father Cote led us in praying the Leaders Prayer.

All members present excluding Jonathan. Guests present were Deacon Ken Votava, Paula Belgarde, and Brenda Page.

Small groups were formed and grouping was held.

Laurie read the secretaries report from the January meeting. Fr. Cote said he had not yet ordered the new Spiritual Manuals, but would take care of that. Sandi made a motion to approve the minutes with this being said. Cynthia 2nd the motion. All approved.

Sandi gave the treasurers report. The beginning balance being \$12,844.94. Total expenses after the weekends were \$11,468.89. The total income was \$16,115.13. The ending balance being \$17,491.18. \$1500.00 was donated by St. Michael Parish in Dunseith. During this time the agreement between Norm and Fr. Dennis was discussed. It was decided to revisit this after the trial Cursillo's are held in Dunseith. Laurie made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Ben 2nd the motion. All approved.

Norm addressed one addition to the agenda. The Dunseith Cursillo back tables are:
Rector--Scott Peltier, asst-Leonard Keplin, spiritual director-Fr.Dennis, asst. spiritual director-Deacon Davis
Rectora-Sandra Poitra, asst-Bonnie Nado, spiritual director-Fr.Dennis, asst. spiritual director-Sister Cauterri

Deacon Jim asked to be added to the agenda and Sandi asked to add the next rectors and rectoras.

Old business:

Cursillo weekends: Sandi reported that the Harvey cursillo had 7 candidates and went very well. Norm reported for Gary Baasch that the Harvey men's was a good weekend too. Norm also reported on the Hankinson cursillos. The men's had 18 candidates and the women's had 15, very good weekends. All followed the new pilgrim's guides and everyone that helped with a weekend agreed that everything went smoothly. More closing sheets are needed and plans are to make new back table guides to follow. Our guests had questions about how to obtain supplies and were told to go through the treasurer (Sandi). It was also discussed that new rollo manuals are to be coming, but Belcourt will have to use the old manuals for their October cursillos.

Region 6 Encounters: We are hosting in Hankinson--Sept. 28th-30th 2018.... Norm visited with Bishop Folda and Bishop Folda has agreed to do the welcome on Friday night. Bismarck is hosting the 2017 encounter, Sept. 29th-Oct.1st. Discussion was held on what the encounters were and that the secretariat takes care of the fees to attend. Norm will send out the information when he receives it.

New Business:

2017~2018 cursillos: Belcourt mens--Oct.19th-22nd---no rector--Fr. Jeff is looking for someone. Belcourt womens--Oct. 26th-29th-- rectora, Patty Page Henry---asst., Candace Desjarlais. Harvey mens--Feb.8th-11th--- rector, Norm will call John Edwards. Harvey womens---Feb.15th-18th---rectora, Erica Brewer, declined. Yvette Yatskis was asked and accepted. Hankinson mens--Mar.8th-11th--rector, Norm will call Steve Jarolimek. Hankinson womens--Mar.15th-18th--rectora, Peggy Mondry declined, Norm will call Tammy Votava.

Deacon Jim has set up an appointment with Bishop Folda to turn in his letter of resignation from the secretariat as spiritual advisor and give a letter of recommendation to the Bishop for Deacon Ken Votava as his replacement. He thanked the secretariat for the time he was allowed to serve. With sad regrets, goodbyes and thank yous were said to Deacon Jim and Deacon Ken was welcomed and thanked for accepting the position. It was also explained that he is a non- voting member.

Jennine and Peggy Mondry have volunteered to work on making new back table manuals. A suggestion was made that we wait for the new cursillo manuals to come out and see how they are structured. Randy Axtman wants to stop doing national palanca. As pre-cursillo section leader Cynthia will take this over. She will get in contact with Randy.

Norm gave his notice of resignation effective Sept. 2017. Ben made a motion to accept said resignation. Sandi 2nd the motion. With regret all approved. Ben's term as SCOL section leader is also finished effective Sept. 2017. He will train the next person that takes his position. Discussion was held on the open positions for the coming terms and that anyone that is not a member is welcome to come and sit in on the meetings. It was also mentioned that the positions may be rotated at the Sept. meeting. Nominations for Paula Belgarde, Brenda Page, John Edwards, and Gary Baasch were given for these positions with the explanation that they need to be attending SCOL.

Ben gave the SCOL report see attached.

Jennine gave the communications report. See attached.

After some discussion it was decided that the newsletter should be written quarterly instead of monthly. It was also discussed that each section leader might put an article in the newsletter. Ben and Jennine were both complimented and thanked for all the work, dedication, and knowledge that they have brought into the Fargo Diocese's cursillo.

Cynthia had questions on her duties as pre-cursillo leader. The by-laws were read and explained so she would have a better idea of what her duties are.

Jonathan was not present to give a report on the cursillo section.

Discussion was held on keeping track of the numbers of the weekends. Laurie said that she has a list started and will continue to update it as the weekends progress. Norm provided her with an updated copy. Belcourt women's will be #135 and men's will be #144.

Yvette gave the post-cursillo report. She e-mailed the contacts she had; only two replied about ultreya.

Discussion was held on how to get ultreyas in church bulletins. There is a mail-chip account. Ben will help with this also.

The visitors were thanked for coming and for their involvement in the cursillo preparations.

The next meeting is scheduled for Sept. 9th, 10:00a.m., in Carrington. Sandi made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Cynthia 2nd the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Laurie Wiederrich ~~~ Secretary

**Fargo Diocese Cursillo Movement
School of Leaders
May6, 2017**

School of Leaders

- Currently there are 83 Members in the School of Leaders -- no new members since the last Secretariat Meeting.
- There are currently 6 locations where the School of Leaders meet: Fargo, Valley City, Grafton, Devils Lake, Karlsruhe and Jamestown.
- In the past year developed nine new SCOL Technique Talks. There are now a total of 37 sessions for the School of Leaders. With nine sessions per year -- this is four years of study material. In September Fargo and Valley City will begin with Session One and repeat the cycle.
- Thanks to Father Cote and Deacon Eggl for their outstanding support providing the Doctrinal Talks for all 37 sessions. Using Drop Box to move videos out to satellite locations.
- Bradley Steen who had agreed to step up as the head of the School of Leaders has now declined for personal reasons. I am looking for someone to take my place.

**Fargo Diocese Cursillo Movement
Communications Report
May 6, 2017**

- Monthly Newsletters continue to be produced and posted to the website.
- 454 Cursillistas currently receive the monthly newsletter via e-mail---that is an increase of 24 since the last meeting.
- Website has been updated to include a new tab for the School of Leaders including a schedule for 2017 and points of contact for each location.
- Facebook Page continues to be used by 102 members to publicize events. Members of the Crookston Cursillo Secretariat follow our FB page to look at best practices.