

**YUBA-SUTTER RIGHT TO LIFE COMMITTEE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
St. Isidore's Parish Hall
July 1, 2009**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:	Maureen Guth Mary Anne Brayton Michael Pugh	John Guth Heather Pugh Michael Gabhart
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GUESTS PRESENT: Fran Rex

OLD BUSINESS:

Maureen stated she restocked the brochures and prayer cards in the church.

CALL TO ORDER:

Maureen called the meeting to order at 7:04pm.

OPENING PRAYER:

John led the opening prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was m/s/c to approve the minutes of June 4, 2009.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

John reported we have \$346.00 in the bank. Deposits were previously made totaling \$661, for which thank you notes have been sent. \$354.00 was spent on two banners, as well as \$35 to Elliott Institute, and \$29 for a tablecloth for the YS Fair. A \$70 deposit is yet to be made, with \$50 of that allocated for our Library Project.

LEGISLATION:

Mike Pugh noted that no new bills have been introduced, but that some bills we are watching have advanced. AB52: Umbilical Cord Blood Collection Program was amended and re-referred to the Committee on Health; AB1048: Child Protection Safe Surrender was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary; SB471: Stem Cell Research and Education was referred to the Committee on Education.

Pending Federal Legislation of consequence to the pro-life movement are: HR634: Child Interstate Abortion Notification Act was referred to the subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties.

WEBSITE UPDATE:

Mike Pugh reported we had 1149 visits to our website last month. This report is only a partial accounting as the stats were only available through the 24th or 26th of June. The

top pages viewed were the YS Fair on our “Events” page, our “About” page, our signs from our “Events” page, Legislation, Roe v. Wade, and our Newsletter.

YUBA-SUTTER FAIR:

Maureen read the comments left at the YSRTL booth at the Colusa County Fair by fairgoers. She also showed the “Hope & Healing” newspaper she obtained from Elliott Institute for the fair.

Maureen advised we can obtain a 16x20” sign with a photo of a mother holding her baby with the wording “Motherhood. It’s Just Natural” on it for a total of \$27. We will provide the business card of the photographer to any fairgoer who asks about the photo.

We will once again use the petition to stop state funding of abortion instead of the HPV vaccine petition that was used at the Colusa Fair because of its pertinence to the current state budget crisis. Mike Pugh suggested we send the signed petitions to our local Board of Supervisors. Mike Pugh will alter the petition to include a check box for receiving our newsletter.

John stated he feels we need to be ready with a response to Dr. Tiller’s killing for our fair workers to have on hand in case the subject comes up. John will read this statement at the fair worker’s evening.

Maureen advised that she wrote to Rachel Steele regarding brochures and she has not heard back.

We would like to have a color flyer of 40 Days for Life at the Fair. Hope Ithurburn said (via email) that she would be willing to make up business cards for 40 Days for Life with the pertinent information. We will also have a sign-up sheet for those interested in participating.

Hope will make a brief presentation on 40 Days for Life at the fair worker’s evening. She suggested inviting Wynette Sills to give a presentation, but we decided to have Hope give it since Wynette lives 45 minutes away. Hope also suggested having a FOCA pamphlet available for people to take and read.

The fair worker’s evening will be held on Thursday, July 23rd at 7:00pm in the St. Isidore multi-purpose room. Mary Anne will provide cookies, Fran will supply iced tea and napkins, Maureen will provide cups, and Heather will supply water.

VINYL SIGNS/BILLBOARDS:

A vinyl sign was delivered to Caldwell Cabinets. They will put it up on the side of their building. Maureen suggested to Heather that she include in the September Newsletter a “thank you” to the businesses which have placed our signs. They are Mallen’s Automotive, Caldwell Cabinets (forthcoming), Sperbeck’s, and at the home of Gary & Pat Arlington on Highway 70 in District 10. Maureen further suggested that we

encourage our readers to frequent those businesses which proudly display the pro-life message. Thank them for taking a stand for Life!

LIBRARY PROJECT:

Hope will talk to the librarian of RVHS and River Bend about whether they will accept donated books.

MISCELLANEOUS:

The West Coast Walk for Life bus contract is \$2,478 (including the bridge toll). After we tip the drivers, the cost would be \$2,600. We would need to charge \$32.50 per person or ask for donations from Knights of Columbus and invite other churches to join in. After discussing the situation, we decided to charge \$25 for those who respond by a certain date and \$30 for those who respond after the date. A ticket will be provided to those who sign up only after they have paid the fee because we must have payment and reservations in a timely manner. Maureen signed the contract for the buses at our meeting. Maureen suggested we do a letter to the Knights of Columbus, Guadalapano, as well as Life Teen inviting them to participate the West Coast Walk for Life. We could also do a presentation at one of their meetings if they so desire.

NEWSLETTER:

Maureen would like to have the Colusa Fair stats in the next Newsletter: 361 adults, 154 teens, and 114 children for a total of 629. Heather is to use the membership box in the Newsletter for the West Coast Walk for Life bus fee of \$25 with name, address, phone number, and the number of persons in the party. Per Maureen, do not list a date for the increase in price and do not list the price that it will increase to. Mike Gabhart will contact previous attendees. Also, Maureen would like the Colusa fair workers thanked by name in the next Newsletter. She will provide the names. Fran Rex is doing a "Red Envelope Project". This should be included in the next Newsletter as well.

ADJOURNMENT/CLOSING PRAYER:

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, **September 2**, 2009, at 7:00pm. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:54p.m. and closed with a prayer led by Mike Gabhart.

Respectfully submitted,
Heather Pugh, Secretary