

Board Meeting Minutes
Location: St. Peter's Catholic Church, Gueydan, LA
Date: January 8th, 2012
Time: 7:00 pm

CALL TO ORDER at 7:15 pm by Fr. Decker

OPENING PRAYER by Fr. Vidrine

ROLL CALL

Rev. Christopher Decker	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rev. Ryan Humphries	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>
Joshua LeBlanc	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>
Daniel Keding	Resigned	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rev. Jason Vidrine	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>
Joseph McClane	Present	<input type="checkbox"/>
Roberto Veri	Absent - Excused	<input type="checkbox"/>

OLD BUSINESS

1. Minutes were read by Secretary Annie LeBlanc. Fr. Humphries moved that the minutes be accepted as read. Joshua seconded the motion. The motion was carried.
2. Joshua gave the treasurer's report. The banking account was at \$150. Paypal funds totaled \$80. There was still a balanced of \$600 owed from CatholiCon 2011 for t-shirts. Fr. Vidrine moved that the treasurer's report be accepted. Joe McClane seconded the motion. Motion carried.

3. Fr. Humphries discussed the summary report of CatholiCon 2011. Joshua made a motion that the report be emailed to all board members for review and for the assistance of planning CatholiCon 2012. Fr. Humphries seconded the motion. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Catholic New Media Institute was discussed briefly by Fr. Humphries and Joshua. Joshua reported that he had spoken to Jason Alazondo of Austin Catholic New Media about their participation in CatholiCon 2012 and their possible involvement in Catholic New Media Institute. He suggested that the idea be fleshed out more in order to create interest. Fr. Humphries suggested that the front page of the CU website be devoted to a group blog of some type that could organically grow CNMI. Fr. Humphries made a motion to table the discussion of CNMI indefinitely until such time as there is an interest. The motion was seconded by Joshua. Motion carried.
2. Fr. Decker discussed the filling of Joe McClane's expired term, the resignation of Daniel Kedingler from the board, and the appointment of President/CEO for a 3 year term, as well as Chairman of the Board and Secretary/Treasurer for a 1 year term. Fr. Humphries proposed two names to fill the spots on the board: Fr. Michael Earthman and Travis Boudreaux. Fr. Decker and Joe McClane discussed Joe's conflict of interest issues with Fullness of Truth. Joe decided that it would be best if his place on the Board be filled with another person due to these issues. Joshua reported that he had already spoken with Fr. Earthman who had consented to being on the board. Fr. Humphries made the motion to appoint Fr. Earthman to fill Joe's spot (a 3 year term) and Travis Boudreaux to fill the remainder of Daniel's term (a 1 year term) in the event that he would accept the appointment. The motion was seconded by Fr. Vidrine. Motion carries. Fr. Humphries moved that the entire slate of current officers holding President/CEO, Chairman of the Board and Secretary/Treasurer be reappointed. Fr. Vidrine seconded the motion. Motion carries.
3. Joshua discussed the Catholic Underground's pending litigation in regards to trade naming Catholic Underground. He had been in contact with Sean Carter, an attorney in Lafayette. Sean Carter requested a \$500 retainer, which was provided to him, so that he could file the necessary paperwork. Mr. Carter put in more hours than was originally quoted and submitted a bill of \$750 to Catholic Underground, though the paperwork

had not been filed as of date of meeting. Mr. Carter explained that he believed it to be superfluous to file the paperwork because through his research he discovered that the Catholic Underground had been using the name longer than the Franciscan Friars. He said it was known as a “Common Law Tradename” and that if the Franciscan Friars ever decided to trademark the name, the Catholic Underground could rebut the claim and the name would automatically be given to them.

4. Fundraising for CatholiCon 2012 was briefly discussed by various board members. Various dates were suggested and it was decided that an Eastertide giving campaign would be best. It was also decided that the t-shirt bill would be paid for by members of the board.

5. Fr. Humphries gave a presentation on CatholiCon 2012. Joshua will be the conference director and also the head of business and advertising. Fr. Decker will be in charge of design, websites, and merchandise. Fr. Humphries will be in charge of content, message and narrative. There will be 4 distinct teams: Sacred Liturgy (headed by Fr. Vidrine), Talent, Volunteers, and Marketing. Fr. Humphries presented a tentative schedule of the Conference. Joshua discussed the pros and cons of holding a VIP Brunch as opposed to a VIP Dinner. Fr. Decker suggested that the discussion of various details be tabled until after the Board meeting was adjourned. Fr. Humphries moved that the meeting be adjourned. Joshua seconded the motion. Motion carries.

CLOSING PRAYER by Fr. Decker

ADJOURNMENT at 8:19 p.m