

## **Respect Life Committee Meeting Minutes October 17, 2017**

**ATTENDANCE:** Kevin Philbin, Colette Petitt, Dave Kohut, Del Pardee, Gary Peltier, Marge March, Tom Trykowski, Bernie McGough, Lisa Birchler, Peggy McGough, Lucy Pardee, Nancy Carter.

**OPENING PRAYER:** Nancy Carter

**TREASURER REPORT:** Bernie McGough gave a brief review of expenditures.

**SEPTEMBER MINUTES:** Kevin presented minutes and they were approved.

**LEGISLATIVE UPDATE:** Tom Trykowski advised us on current issues. Topics included blocking Pro-Life adds on Twitter, assisted suicide and religious freedom or lack of.

**YOUTH PROMOTON:** Many ideas but few volunteers. Lucy Pardee suggested a Pro-Life Christmas float in the Waynesboro Christmas parade. The Executive committee will review in a separate meeting. Kevin will talk to Father Rolo for permission.

**RESPECT LIFE MOVIE:** The movie was a great success. The committee thanked Lisa Birchler for heading the event.

**LIFE EVENT SPEAKER:** Colette Petitt reviewed the need for vigil prayer needs outside of Planned Parenthood.

It was mentioned that there may be an abortion clinic in Waynesboro. Colette Petitt and Nancy Carter will look into it and report back in November.

**RESPECT LIFE TABLE:** Tom Trykowski stated that traffic was low due to other activities. There was also a conflict on table placement.

**COMFORT CARE BANQUET:** Bernie urged all to attend as this is the organizations largest fundraiser. The committee also supports Comfort Care through Lois Castle's monthly "Moses Basket" program. We also participate in their "Stride for Life" event in May as well as the parish monthly.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** As there was no further business; the meeting was adjourned.

**ADDENDUM:** Committee Reflection

**CLOSING PRAYER:** Dave Kohut

**ADDENDUM : "The ministry of Jesus shows preferential options for the poor and weak. The work of peace, justice and life gives preference to those in our society who are marginalized and those who cannot defend themselves. We are the voice for the voiceless; whether those voiceless are oppressed nations, the poor, the terminally ill or the unborn."**

**Pro-Life Reflections for Every Day**

**Father Frank Pavone**