



**Archdiocesan Catholic Committee on Scouting**  
*A committee of the Archdiocese of St Paul and Minneapolis*



**November 16, 2016**

**ACCS Meeting  
West Service Center  
Northern Star Council BSA**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm

**Attendance:** Patty Hobbs, Bill Davies, Deacon Del Wilkinson, Bob Oldowski, Vicky Kendall, Carol Becker, Doug Kleist, Patrick Reardon, Jason Zienty, Mike Fratto, Joe Schulte, Theresa Cermak

**Opening Prayer:** Jason Zienty

**Secretary Report:** Victoria Kendall

- Secretary report for October 2016 was approved and seconded with the correction of Doug Kleist's last name on page 2.

**Treasurer Report: Carol Becker**

- Treasurer report for Oct. 2016 was approved and seconded.
- Sam Rossi who donates his volunteer reimbursement from Land of Lakes has specified the funds be earmarked for counselor training or camp chaplain expenses.
- Received bill for the weekend that Doug Kleist went to check out the camp layout for the AAD retreat.
- Ordered 100 Cub Scout emblems and emblem cards. They will be divided and sent to both scout stores.
- Semi-yearly endowment fund distribution came in last week.

**Registrar Report: None**

**Training Report: None**

**Deacon Report: None**

**ACCW / GSUSA / AHG: Theresa Cermak**

- ACCW created a new brochure of all religious awards available for girls/boys.
- Cover of brochure needs to be changed to accurately communicate the focus on girls' awards.
- Received a form from Winona Diocese that can be changed to fit St. Paul/Minneapolis Diocese for the Pillar of Faith. Discussion ensued regarding appropriate emblems that can be used on the form.
- Many items and resources can be now be downloaded from on-line.

**Northern Star Representative: Jason Zienty**

- Has a possible volunteer for the ACCS committee.
- The restructuring of the Scout Council will not affect the ACCS committee.

**Craig Young Scholarship Fund: Doug Kleist**

- Still working on the letter and is working with Carol to clarify where the funds should be sent. Currently have \$2,000 in the fund. Will use some of it for AAD retreat scholarships.
- Hope to have the donation form finished and available by the end of November.
- There are many troops, clubs, work places that Craig worked with that would want to know about the scholarship.

**Calendar/Plan of Action: Bill Davies**

- Calendar dates have been finalized and will be placed on the website and dropbox.
- Still missing: Scouting in the Church annual training at Philmont and the St. Geo. Trek.
- Catholic Roundtable at Univ. of Scouting will be placed on the calendar.

**Registrar/Membership Positions: Bill Davies**

- Patty Smith has agreed to take over the BOR/Counselor update portion of the Registrar position but haven't heard back from her.
- Still seeking Membership Chair. Bill will reach out to potential individuals.
- We need to figure out who has classes which means a note needs to go out to the Counselors/Units.

**Communication: Patty Hobbs**

- Sent retreat and religious emblem award information to all the media/scout locations.
- Confirmed Univ. of Scouting classes and currently working on class descriptions for the event.

**NCCS: Bill Davies**

- Attended Bishop Conference last week. 95 Bishops attended. Handed out a Scouting packet.
- New President-elect Cardinal is a supporter of Scouting.
- New Pope Pius religious emblem program has been approved. Old manuals will be replaced eventually. Facilitator manual will be available on-line for a nominal price.
- Knights of Columbus would still like to be involved with Scouting even though they are no longer Charter organizations.

**Retreat Update: Doug Klein**

- Currently 12 boys registered and another group is in the process of seeking out scholarships from the K of C and C. Young's fund to attend. Trying to figure out the ability to request a scholarship on Eventbrite registration.
- Will add Carol B. to Eventbrite in case of emergency.
- Will be ordering new patches for the event.
- Soon will be recruiting volunteers for the weekends.
- Still figuring out the mass situation for the two weekends and would like to have a seminarian attend.

**Day of Recollection: Vicky Kendall**

- Day of Rec. was attended by 16 boys. Over half registered after the deadline.
- Only had two seminarians attend the morning but it worked out fine for everyone.
- Bill Davies brought the adults up to another room and provided both training and background information regarding the NCCS and ACCS.

**Quality Diocese Award & Quality Unit Awards: Bill Davies**

- Working with Deacon Del to figure out the Quality Diocese Award requirements.
- Quality Unit Awards are being changed to reflect a Bronze, Silver and Gold status.
- These three designations will be a great way to encourage Units to participate.

**Adult Awards: Bob Oldowski and Mike Fratto**

- Deadline will be mid-March for the adult nominations.
- Will work with Patty H. to send out information seeking nominations.

**Religious Emblem Mass: Bill Davies**

- Vicky will contact Bev to ask for her template for the mass insert.
- ACCS might consider moving the emblem mass back to a church rather than the Basilica to allow greater flexibility and less expensive.

**Closing Prayer: Bill Davies**

Meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

**Next meeting: Dec. 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the West Office.**