

Minutes RFL Meeting – June 22, 2017

Attendees: Philomena, Mike & Maria Avolio, Karen & John Lyndecker, Carl Snipes, Sal Bonfiglio, Marianne Kare, Laura Boyle

1) 4H Fair – Somerset County RTL Table: Aug. 9, 10, 11 (Carl/Laura)

- a. Carl and Somerset County RTL will set up a mock table prior to the fair for optimal passer-by viewing. Less is more – want to display only relevant info, not too much, and should draw people in.

ACTION ITEMS: Laura will schedule the time slots for the RFL table, Laura to give Carl the fan

2) Next viewing of Pam Stenzel DVD (Maria & Mike Avolio/ Karen & John)

- a. Maria & Mike Avolio recommended showing the DVD as follows and presenting this to Fr. Sean:
 - i. Food & Music
 - ii. Set up a challenge to make it fun: Tug of War boys vs. girls
 - iii. 2 dates / involve Youth Group w/CCD
 - iv. Do a service activity during event (wrap toiletries for homeless for service hours)
 - v. Should Youth Group take a lead role? Do this in October? Friday night or Sunday afternoon.
 - vi. As group discussed this it was felt that even this may not draw kids/parents in but worth discussing with Fr. Sean

ACTION ITEM: Karen, John & Phil to speak to Fr. Sean about options for showing DVD

3) Life at Conception Bill (Marianne Kare)

<https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-bill/231>

<https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/681>

4) Speakers at MMOG (Phil)

- a. Mark Calaguire/ Donna Simon / Kip Bateman agreed to speak at MMOG
- b. John recommended inviting other parishes and other denominations
- c. As discussion progressed the group felt MMOG is not the right venue for political speakers as parishioners could interpret it as politically motivated and not just an information gathering
- d. Group discussed ways of getting info to the parishioners – no one wants to come to an event other than Sunday Mass.
- e. Laura mentioned Priests for Life coming to speak again at Masses. They came in 2002 or around there. Concern is that the Priest must be a very engaging speaker, be compassionate as to not offend those who have had abortions but speak on mercy and healing of God.
- f. Also mentioned was the Parish spiritual adoption that pro-life group had done 15 years ago

5) Raffle Tickets for 2018 Volvo (Carl)

- a. Raffle tickets are now available
- b. If get tickets in the mail they should be thrown out – only buy from Carl

6) ACTION ITEMS:

- a. Phil asks that everyone come up with an idea to move forward the RFL agenda.

NEXT MEETING Thursday July 27th

