**Catholic Charities Board of Advisors Minutes**

**January 17, 2017 --- 6:00-8:00**

**Catholic Charities Office**

**Board Members present:**  Kurt Daunhauer, Janet Fischer, Ed Knust, Judy Kropfl, Ann Lampkins, Sr. Jane McConnell, Nancy Oskins, Father Ed Schnur, Jim Thyen, Kathy Todd, Mary Beth Vaught, Michael Vogel, and Gerald Weber

**Excused:** Sandra Chaparro, Father Frank Renner

**Staff present:** Sharon Burns, Director; Robin Whitledge

President Janet Fischer opened the meeting with prayer. Introductions were made between new and old members of the Board. New members include Kurt Daunhauer, Jim Thyen, Kathy Todd, and Mary Beth Vaught. Minutes of the November 15, 2016 meeting were reviewed; Sister Jane McConnell made a motion to approve the minutes, and Michael Vogel seconded it. Group and individual photos were taken before and during the meeting.

**President’s Report:** A new listing of Standing and Operational Committees was distributed to each Board member, as well as Social Enterprise and Building (Growth Projects) Committees. Each committee’s tasks were listed and defined. Discussion followed addressing questions from the Board. The Governance Committee has been removed from the previous list of committees.

**Director’s Report:** Sharon updated the Board on personnel matters, stating she has hired Haddy Ribaki, a lawyer from Mississippi who will do legal aide work. Two members of staff will retire soon and need to be replaced. In her report on the Diocesan Capital Campaign Sharon told the Board that approximately 8-9 million dollars have been committed thus far. Sharon reported she is interviewing insurance companies concerning reimbursements that could create a significant income change for Catholic Charities. An overview of our Social Enterprise plans was then given with many questions, answers, and comments by the Board. Sharon distributed a “Conflict of Interest Policy” for the Board to review and sign a statement of agreement to the policy. All present signed in agreement. Biographical sketches were completed by members of the Board following the meeting.

**Committee Reports:**

**Marketing/PR:** No report

**Finance:** Michael Vogel provided the Board with a 2016 year-end review of the finances. He stated an audit will take place early in 2017.

**Nominations:** No report

**Development:** The committee provided details about the 80th Anniversary Celebration Gala. The date for the event is Thursday, May 4 from 5:15-9:00 Central time. It will be held at the Holiday Inn in Evansville (Hwy 41 N). The cost will be $80.00 per person, and will include a plated dinner, music by Retro Shock, dancing, and entertainment. Dennis Jon Bailey will emcee; various speakers, stories, and “Buy a Service” will be the fundraising component. The theme for the Gala is “Because of You”.

**Building:** Kurt Daunhauer reported that his committee has been looking at current space at both St. John (downtown) and St. Theresa. They have concluded that the facilities and space at St. Theresa will better serve our present and future needs. More information will be forthcoming in future meetings.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS:** Board members met with their respective committees during a final portion of the meeting. They were to discuss their tasks and set future meeting dates.

**UPCOMING DATES:**

* Tues., **March 21, 2017 – NEXT BOARD MEETING** – Catholic Charities at 6:00 p.m. Central time, light supper at 5:30 p.m. Central time
* Thurs., **MAY 4, 2017 - 80th ANNIVERSARY GALA** – Holiday Inn North, Evansville, IN

Judy Kropfl closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Lampkins

Secretary