SERRA CLUB OF DUPAGE COUNTY

**Officers/Trustees Meeting**

**St. Procopius Abbey, Lisle IL**

**December 3, 2016**

**Officers Attending:**

George Carr, Joanne Carr, ViJay Devadas, Ed Graham, Dick Haymaker, Joe Langenderfer,

Ken LeBeau, Maureen Toner

**Opening Prayer:**

At 7:50 the Opening Prayer for Perseverance for Vocations was repeated by all present.

**Minutes:**

The minutes from the November board meeting were reviewed and corrected as follows; George Carr was hopeful of selling $3,000 worth of seminarian cards, not 3,000 cards.

The minutes were approved as corrected.

**Treasurers Report:**

The treasurer’s report was reviewed. Items concerning monthly dinner costs were discussed and clarified. The report was approved.

**Program Report:**

Speakers for following monthly dinner meetings were confirmed: December, Fr. Burke Masters, January, Young Shin, June Bishop Siegel, and July, Sr. Stephanie Baliga.

ViJay asked for speaker suggestions for the February, March, and April dinner meetings. Fr. Michael Lane from St. Jude Parish in Joliet was suggested for the February meeting. For the future a group of Franciscan nuns who work to aid trafficked pregnant women were suggested.

All future monthly dinner meetings will be held at St. Michael Church in Wheaton unless otherwise notified.

**Committee Reports:**

Maureen asked for information about the January speaker, Young Shin.

Verbal recognition was made for member Victoria Stark’s efforts in creating Christmas cards for Serra members to send to the seminarians.

**Vocations:**

Ken showed and explained the use of “You Are Called” post cards that are given by religious education teachers and Catholic school teachers to anyone interested in religious life.

There was discussion regarding coordinating with a Knights of Columbus order at the December dinner meeting in presenting monetary gifts from each organization to Fr. Burke Masters.

**Old Business:**

New member Young Shin has offered to help update and maintain the Serra web site.

Joe reported that our Serra Club membership goal is ahead of projections by 12 %.

An updated membership list will be requested of Steve Pawlowicz.

**New Business:**

It was reported that DuPage Serra Club participated in the “Called by Number” conference which was attended by 3,000 students.

Traditionally a birthday cake for Fr. Burke Masters has been the dessert for the December dinner meeting. John Matyasik is to determine who will purchase this birthday cake.

George is investigating a more cost effective method for printing the Seminarian baseball cards.

Closing:

The closing Prayer for Vocations was recited. The meeting adjourned at 8:45.

**Submitted by:**

Joanne Carr, acting secretary