

Friends of St Mary's Cathedral, Inc.
Committee meeting 14th December 2023 - Minutes

1. Attendance
 - 1.1. Apologies – Angela Chan, Caroline Dobraszcyk, Anthony Restuccia.
 - 1.2. Present — Richard Flynn, Sharon Dawes, Fr Don Richardson, Carolyn Flynn, Pauline Roesch
2. Dates for Committee meetings up to next AGM
 - 2.1. Set up a series of meetings up to the AGM in September (hopefully). Maybe 4 meetings
 - Feb- Monday 5th- 5.30pm
 - April- Tuesday 16th April - 5.30pm
 - June- Tuesday 6th June - 5.30pm
 - August- Thursday 8th August - 5.30pm
 - AGM September- Sunday 22/9/23 after 10.30am Mass
 - 2.2. Father Don asked that dates are sent through to Paula
3. Minutes of Previous Committee meeting
4. Bank account signatories and authorized representatives
 - 4.1. Motion: to remove Catherine Priestley as a signatory and authorized representative on our CBA account and CommBiz online banking, and replace her with Sharon Dawes, Treasurer.
 - Motion was passed unanimously (proposer: Richard Flynn, seconder: Fr Don Richardson)
 - 4.2. For the avoidance of doubt, the President would remain as a signatory and authorized representative on the account, with a minimum of two signatories' approval to confirm a payment from the Association's account.
5. 2024 events
 - 5.1. Talks & Tours
 - Carolyn get in touch with Karen McCluskey
 - Pauline: suggested 3 organists organ jam
 - Richard get in touch with Director of Music re Organists Jam in Cathedral
 - Bell tower tour
 - Speaker event in March. Discussion on who could be speaker
 - Carolyn to ask her thesis supervisor for availability to do a talk- she's an art historian
 - Sharon: suggested showing 'The Chosen' in Brother Hoffman Hall and sell tickets as well as raffle merchandise. Sharon to investigate legal position of sharing The Chosen. Richard to check with Father Lui about potential conflict with his youth group/possibility of two associations combining for event
 - Father Don suggested - up to the good will of bell ringers and various other people as to whether we can keep doing the tours. And also it may be a bit repetitious re the archives talks etc?
 - 5.2. Our Lady Help of Christians
 - Feast of Our Lady help of Christians- dinner is still a viable option - try a different approach
 - Pauline to enquire with her friend as to the possibility of singing at the dinner(a professional singer as entertainment rather than a traditional type of speaker)
 - Pauline suggested a different seating arrangement example long trestle tables
 - 5.3. Trivia
 - People bring their own dinner worked out well

- 5.4. Other suggestions for events related to the Cathedral
 - Membership drives- talk about in February -Pauline suggested single Event Flyers and the possibility of handing them out after masses/ also suggested as a membership drive
6. Videos project
 - 6.1. Progress of project
 - Carolyn to obtain 3 quotes for video project production and editing
 - Media department at Notre Dame may not have capacity to produce in a timely manner
 - 6.2. Fundraising
7. Treasurer's report stood over until next meeting
8. General business
9. Prayer

We thank You, O Lord, for your gifts as we remember the generosity of the Friends, past and present, and we ask that you reward with eternal life those who have gone before us, and that you bless us who live that we might glorify your name.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.