

# **AUGUSTE “NONCO” PELAFIGUE FOUNDATION**

**P.O. Box 696 - Arnaudville LA 70512**

## **Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting**

**Home of Jim Huval hosted by Suzanne Huval Stelly**

**Arnaudville LA**

**April 4, 2019**

**OPENING PRAYER** was read by Suzanne Stelly.

**MISSION STATEMENT** was read by Iris LeBlanc.

### **1. BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Henry Charles Taylor, President; Allen LeBlanc, Past President; Suzanne Stelly, President-Elect and Membership Chairperson; Mary Belleau, Secretary (present via telephone); Sis LaPorte, Director; Iris LeBlanc, Director, Candide Wyble, Website Administrator.

**BOARD MEMBER AVAILABLE BY PHONE:** Charles Hardy, Past President

**BOARD MEMBER ABSENT:** Jerry Richard

**2. MINUTES:** Minutes of the January 10, 2018 were presented by Mary Belleau; moved to be accepted by Sis LaPorte and seconded by Suzanne Stelly.

**3. FINANCIAL REPORT:** The acceptance of the financial report of a \$30,123.04 CD with FM Bank plus \$16,446.33 cash and a total balance of \$46,323.29 was presented by Charles Taylor moved to be accepted by Sis LaPorte and seconded by Iris LeBlanc.

**4. MEMBERSHIP REPORT:** Suzanne Stelly presented the following membership totals: Nine Founding Members, Three In-Kind Founding Members, a total of 12 Founding Members; 80 Charter Members, Two In-Kind Charter Members, a total of 82 Charter Members for a membership total of 94. It was moved to be accepted by Sis LaPorte and seconded by Allen LeBlanc.

**5. REVIEW OF TIMELINE:** Iris LeBlanc moved for acceptance of the Timeline updated until January, 2020 with Betty Roy on the Nonco.org Website; seconded by Suzanne Stelly.

**6. Committee Reports.** It was agreed by the Board at the April, 2018 Quarterly Meeting that the April Quarterly Meetings would be mostly to discuss the Annual Mass held in June for the twofold purpose of celebrating the Feast of the Sacred Heart and the French Mass in Memory of Nonco. The Board went over in detail the “To Do” List (placed at the end of the Minutes) of the annual Mass and the responsibilities of each Board member.

**A. Board Development:** Candide Wyble is now the Website Administrator.

**B. Beatification and Canonization Committee:** Request that Fr. Gary Schexnaylder, the Auguste “Nonco” Pelafigue Foundation Episcopal Delegate, make a request to the office of the Lafayette Diocese about the status of the opening of the cause of canonization of Nonco.

### **C. Programs:**

**a.** French Mass for Nonco Anniversary on June 30, 2019, 10:30 am, St. John Francis Regis Church in Arnaudville, LA, Bishop Douglas Deshotel, as main celebrant and Frs. Gary Schexnaylder and Travis Abadie as co-celebrants. See “To Do” List at the end of the Minutes.

**b.** Candide Wyble will check to create a Nonco Channel on YouTube and a Twitter Account

**c.** A guest speaker and silent auction fundraiser for a September or October program.

- d. Meet with Fr. Gary to discuss fundraising and grants in anticipation of the opening of the Cause of Canonization for Nonco.

The meeting ended with the Board reciting The Our Father followed by adjournment moved by Sis LaPorte, seconded by Iris LeBlanc. The meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM. The next quarterly meeting in July will be on July 9, at 4:30 PM at the Jim Huval Home hosted by Suzanne Stelly.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary delaHoussaye Belleau, Secretary  
Auguste "Nonco" Pelafique Foundation

**"TO DO" - NONCO MEMORIAL FRENCH MASS Sunday June 30, 2019**

**Publicity:**

1. **Request Memorial Masses** be celebrated in Arnaudville, LA – (**Sis LaPorte**) ask Fr. Travis Abadie to invite Bishop Douglas Deshotel be the main celebrant; (**Mary Belleau**) Beaucens, France; Milwaukee, WI; St. Francis, South Dakota; Rome, Italy; the Philippines; the **18 Sacred Heart Churches** in Louisiana, the **7 Bascilias (one year in advance)** of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (one of Jesus and Sacred Heart of Mary) (**Suzanne Stelly**) to **reserve the Little Flower Auditorium** for Set up for Reception on Saturday and Sunday, June 29, and June 30, 2019.
2. April 15, (**Candide Wyble**) Create the "**Save the Date**" E-Mail, try to include location of all (4) Masses; send 1 ½ month before event (President)
3. May 1, (**Iris LeBlanc and Betty Roy**) Send "Save the Date" to all Officers, Members, Memorial Donors, Contacts, Clergy from Clergy Database (**Mary Belleau**) Warren Perrin to post in La Parole Newsletter and BR French Group to send to their mailing list
4. May 1. (**Candide Wyble**) Place "Save the Date" on Facebook to invite FB Friends (Betty)
5. **For next Acadiana Catholic Magazine Article:** Get deadline to send info to Stephanie Martin to include article in June issue as Feast of the Sacred Heart, 2019 is Friday, June 28 so Nonco Mass will be Sunday, June 30. Mail a copy of the **Acadiana Catholic Magazine** May, 2018 issue to the Louisiana Bishops and the Pastors of the Sacred Heart Churches out of the Lafayette Diocese.
6. Mail a copy to the priests in France, Italy, Wisconsin, South Dakota, Georgia and the Philippines.
7. Request that Stephanie Martin, the editor of the Acadiana Catholic Magazine, send the article as an **e-mail attachment and the link to the digital version to be sent to the Nonco Foundation Members and to be translated** and to be sent to the pastors in France, Italy, and Philippines.
8. Board Members send the article via the online link to their address book friends

**Press Release**

1. May 7, (**Mary Belleau and Candide Wyble will translate to French**) Prepare **Press Release** in English and French and submit for approval, 4 weeks before event
2. May 18, (**Allen LeBlanc**) Hand Deliver 3 weeks before event Press Release to Daily World and Daily Advertiser, (**Pon**) Teche News, (**Mary Belleau**) to Connie Foti Settle and Pon's Student from Breaux Bridge of The Advocate) Warren Perrin's La Parole, send to his Secretary, Darylin at [darylinb@plddo.com](mailto:darylinb@plddo.com), and to **Candide Wyble** for Nonco Facebook Page.
3. Send to Blue Rolfes 'brolfes@diolaf.org' to forward to the Diocese Press Contacts (**Mary Belleau**)

4. E-mail Press Release in French to contact in France (Pastor of St. Vincent, Marie-Paul Nogue, Regis Lie and Helen Badeau to send to French Relatives of Annie Vigneau) (**Mary Belleau**)
5. May 18, Mail or Email Press Release to all Officers, Members, Memorial Donors, Contacts, Clergy from Clergy Database and Sacred Heart Churches in all Dioceses in Louisiana and Atlanta,GA (Iris & Candide)
6. Send to French cousins/contacts the press release and to encourage them to attend Mass for Nonco in Beaucens on same day as in Arnaudville (**Helen Badeau**)
7. Board Members send the press release to their address book friends
8. June 22, Week before event – send a reminder to friends and relatives (**Nonco Board**)

#### **Videographer/Photographer**

1. May 15, find a **videographer to video Mass and reception (Matt LeBlanc, son of Iris & Allen LeBlanc )**
2. Two months before event, make request to Blue Rolfes, Lafayette Diocese Communications Director, that the Diocese Sunday Mass be televised in Arnaudville on 6-30-19 by (**Mary Belleau**)
3. Ask Blue Rolfes to ask St. John Francis Regis Pastor permission to televise Mass at his church
4. May 15, contact Lafayette **TV Stations** to cover event (KLFY 10, KADN, Fox 15 (**Suzanne Stelly**) KATC 3, Scott Brazda 'Scott\_Brazda@stuller.com' (**Mary Belleau**) **David Mergist**, TV person for the Diocese of Lafayette who interviewed Allen LeBlanc for the Diocese of Lafayette Website/Facebook (**Matt LeBlanc**)
5. After event, consider placing video of Mass and reception on Nonco Website and Facebook and send link when sending Thank You to those who attended; consider streaming Mass to Nursing Homes (**Candide Wyble**) arrange for a Nonco channel on YouTube.

#### **Photographer**

6. Assign **photographer (Bryan Taylor) (Jannene DeClouet, Millie Darby's friend, 337/316-2074)** to take pictures from a list compiled by the board, i.e. celebrant of the Mass, the board, Group pictures of Family members of Pelafigue, LeBlanc, Hebert, Hardy, Taylor etc., table displays....(**Pon Hardy and Allen LeBlanc**) help photographer gather people.

#### **Invitations**

9. Invite Nonco Contacts on **FaceBook (Candide Wyble)** send invitations Julie Mire, Facebook Administrator of the Diocese of Lafayette (**Mary Belleau**) to St. Francis and St. Theresa Catholic Churches, Arnaudville Chamber of Commerce, and Greater Citizens of Arnaudville, and local priests who knew Nonco.
10. Include Diocese of Lafayette link in e-mails to the 18 Sacred Heart Churches in LA, 7 Basilicas in USA, priests in Wisconsin, S. Dakota, France, Italy and the Philippines.
11. (**Candide Wyble**) will check to create a **Nonco Channel on YouTube and a Twitter Account**
12. Invite Confirmation Classes of area churches (**Sis LaPorte will talk to Sheila**)
13. Invite **Altar Society** in area churches (**Suzanne Stelly, Annie Calais, Iris LeBlanc**)
14. Invite the **Knights of Columbus Honor Guard and Councils** in Arnaudville (**Rod Roy**), (**Pon Hardy, Don Guidry, Terry Angelle & Wayne Watkins**), Leonville (**Allen**) inform KCs of BR about Mass in Memory of Nonco at Sacred Heart Church in BR (**Pon Hardy & Jerry Richard**)
15. Invite **4<sup>th</sup> Degree Knights of Columbus Honor Guard** – (**Allen LeBlanc**) will discuss with Herbert Soileau (Cecilia KCs offered to come)
16. Ask Foundation members to Invite Relatives (List of Relatives given to member of that family to invite)

17. Send to French cousins/contacts the invitation (**Mary Belleau and Helen Badeau**)
18. Invite Charlene Richard Group (**Charles Hardy**)
19. Invite Fr. Verbis LeFleur Group (**Allen LeBlanc**)
20. **Design invitations** to be handed out to relatives and friends (**Jerry Richard**) Include Vincent Darby's name if his painting is used as cover of invitation. Describe Nonco painting, Vincent Darby Poster, include the Sacred Heart statue on Nonco-Designed Carrier. List Founding Members and Special Memorial Donors

#### **Flyers/Church Bulletin Notices**

1. Suggestions for invitation: (**Candide Wyble**) Create Flyers (using "Save the Date" info) and ask Sheila to **insert the flyer in St. Francis Regis Bulletin** inviting parishoners to the French Mass, Sunday, June 30, 2018, 10:30 a.m.
2. Post flyers at local businesses in container near cash register (**Charles Taylor**, Russell's in Arnaudville; **Annie Calais**, Piggly Wiggly in Cecilia; **Iris LeBlanc**, Leonville)
3. **Create bulletin notices by creating text from the Save the Date Invitation (Candide)**
4. Send Flyers and Bulletin Notices of Nonco Memorial Mass, to the churches <https://diolaf.org/parishfinde> inviting everyone to attend.

#### **Mass**

**Photographer:** Take **pictures** before procession and after Mass and people walking to Little Flower Auditorium. Pictures to be taken at the Memorial Mass for Nonco

**Little Flower Auditorium before Mass:** Registration tables, Table with pictures, Easels with posters, Paintings of Nonco, Sacred Heart Statue, Stage

**In Front of Church before Mass:** Greeters handing out programs: Main Entrance – Iris & Allen LeBlanc & Betty Arnaud; Left Entrance -Maria, Right Entrance-Luiz

Nonco Board with Bishop: Founder, Jerry Richard; President, Charles Taylor; Past President, Allen LeBlanc; Past President, Charles Hardy; Secretary, Mary Belleau; Treasurer, Rod Roy; Website & Facebook Chair, Betty Arnaud Roy; Directors, Iris LeBlanc and Sis Laporte, Suzanne Stelly, absent.

**In Church:** Procession with Color Guard: USA and French Flag(possibly also video) of KCs, Priests, and Bishop

**From the choir loft:** Altar with Bishop, Altar with Bishop and Priests, Choir

**Altar from church isle:** Bishop in center of the altar, Bishop with priests,

**Pulpit:** Reader of 1<sup>st</sup> Reading, Responsorial Psalm Reader, Reader of 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

**Pulpit:** Bishop delivering the Homily

**Pulpit:** Person reading Prayers of the Faithful

**Gift Bearers**

**Recession as they exit church:** KCs, Priests, and Bishop

**In front of church and on LFA side of church:** People leaving church for Little Flower Auditorium

**From the porch of the Little Flower Auditorium:** People walking from church to the LFA

1. Statues of Sacred Heart of Jesus: (**Mary Belleau**) asks to bring statue (belonged to Mrs. Leon (Wilda) Hardy deceased, now in her daughter's, **Rose Marie Hardy Rivette's**, possession, and place at the foot of the altar on Nonco-Designed Carrier made by Wilton Wyble, Willie Wyble's grandfather. (Willie) and so note in invitation and/or program; Clean Sacred Heart Statue between church and Melancon Funeral Home (**Charles Taylor** will contact **Charles Hardy**)

2. **Greeters** to handout programs with inserts, Invitations, and Prayer Cards (Iris and Allen LeBlanc & Luiz and Maria Figueiredo)

3. **Reserve Seats – first row in front and last row in back of church for readers and Knights of Columbus (Sis)**

#### **Program**

1. **Prepare program** for all participants include 12 Promises to St. Margaret Mary. 2018 French Mass Programs included Sunday's Readings and Gospel, it was printed by Bodemuller's who charged us \$132.90 for printing 300 copies of the program (Arnaudville church seats 500). It was named "French Mass Books" on their invoice. (Candide & Betty)
2. Foundation (**Charles Taylor**) will purchase paper and ink cartridges for Betty Roy to print programs.
3. Have programs printed with that Sunday's Readings and Gospel. Have number printed based on number of people who can be seated (500) in the Arnaudville church (Candide & Betty)

### Reception

1. **Reserve, early on**, Little Flower Auditorium/KC Hall (Rod) / (Suzanne)  
Remember June is a busy time for weddings...reserve early
2. **Photographer** – Bryan Taylor / Pon- Take picture of Nonco Board with Bishop and Priest(s) and group pictures of those of Pelafigue, Hardy, Taylor, etc, families (Pon)
3. **Sign-In Table:** Tables placed on either side of entrance; have several sign-in sheets for people to sign in; **Add to Sign-in Sheets** a Yes or No line to learn if they knew Nonco; Yes or No line if they are members; (**Discuss ways to donate:** cash, check, PayPal, credit card, monthly credit card, direct deposit from checking account, debit card, etc.) **Sell items.** Assign volunteers to sign in table. (**Shannon, Ciper, Missy, Sis, Iris, Suzanne**)
4. Have **ALL board members** around Sign-In Table to welcome and encourage people to sign in giving their contact info as well as to become members, to volunteer, and to donate; have volunteers sit at sign in table to assure each person signs in and gives e-mail addresses or cell phone numbers to send them text messages. **Have President mention importance of sign in during his comments.**
5. Have **Donation Envelopes/Donation Box** & Receipt Book for cash donations (Betty)
6. Have Prayer Cards, 2018 AoP Intentions,
7. In corner of hall, set up DVD of "The Nonco Story" and run it with no volume during the entire reception, and table with volunteer to sell DVDs. (**Willie Wyble** to set up with microphone, **Charles Taylor** will get a **speaker that works.**)
8. Designate someone toward the end of the reception to walk through the reception attendees to assure that everyone signed in.
9. **Displays:** 1. Vincent Darby's Poster/easel of Nonco walking on Oak Alley– Suzanne 2. Picture/Easel of Nonco by Jim Cutler donated to Jerry Richard – 3. Etoufee Festival Poster/Easel 4. (**Mary**) 2 Posters, to put on easels, of the Nonco Story and 1 Poster, to put on easel, with names of Foundation Founding Members.
10. (**Mary Belleau**) Bring Binders with Nonco Story and Nonco Documents and 1999 Directory of St. Francis Church which was dedicated to Nonco to be placed on table easels with the Sacred Heart, Framed pictures (4) of Nonco receiving the Papal Blessing, the medal and the certificate, 2 posters of the Nonco Story and 1 Poster of the Foundation Founding members.
11. (**Charles Taylor**) 3 easels for Posters.
12. Willie Wyble Nonco-Designed Carrier to put statue of Sacred Heart on columns in church and in Reception Hall
13. **Rose Rivette** Bring her mother's statue to church, provide Sun Flowers for floral arrangements
14. **After setup, before event begins, take picture of tables (Bryan Taylor)**

Supplies furnished by Mary Belleau

1. 3 Framed Pictures/Easels – Papal Decree, Papal Medal, Pic of Nonco receiving medal, DVD promotion of The “Nonco” Story and 2 Nonco Story posters (Charles Taylor has easels for posters)
2. 2 Loose leaf binders with Nonco’s Story and Nonco’s Documents
3. 6 White Plastic trays, 4 plastic silver trays and doilies for doughnuts and cookies
4. 2 Clear Plastic Punch Bowls for pink lemonade
5. 2 Clear Plastic Ladles to serve from punch bowls
6. 1 styrofoam ice chest w/dry ice for 4 ice rings (made in bundt pan) wrapped in aluminum foil to put in punch bowls
7. 1 Igloo ice chest w/4 gallons of pink lemonade and dry ice
8. 2 Clear Plastic Matching Pitchers for milk and water
9. 1 Clear Plastic Pitcher to pour lemonade from gallon jar into punch bowl
10. 1 plastic stirring spoon
11. Saran Cling Wrap (cover food during Mass/Annual Program)
12. 3 vases with artificial flowers (daisies, dogwood, and orchid)
13. 2 Fiberglass tables (2’ X 2 ½’ and 2’ X 4 used by Jerry to request lilly bulbs)

#### **Food/Drinks by Jerry Richard**

-coffee, coffee maker and supplies- Donated by Community Coffee

-packaged cookies 6-8 packs

-packaged cake donuts 6-8 bags

-cream puffs 2 containers

-milk 2 gallons

-OJ juice 1 gallon

Coffee cups

small milk and juice cups 150

small paper plates 150

napkins

paper towels

1. Identify Servers who will leave before the end of Mass to serve liquids (???)
2. To avoid a crowd at drink/food table, pour lemonade, water, milk in cups for people to pick up as they enter

#### **SET UP**

1. Pick up keys to Little Flower Auditorium from Church Office on Thursday, June 7.
2. Set up on Saturday June 9, 10:00 AM day before event. **Make sun flower arrangements.** Complete set up beginning at 8:00 AM on day of event June 10.

#### **PROGRAM IN LITTLE FLOWER AUDITORIUM**

1. Master of Ceremonies (**President**, Charles Taylor)
2. **Introductions:** Bishop Douglas Deshotel, Priests, Nonco Board
3. **Board highlights** of the year using 2018 Annual Report given at Annual Meeting
4. **Thank people** for signing in so that we can keep them informed

5. **Ask people to raise their hand if they have not signed in and a board member goes to them with sign in sheet to have them sign**
6. **Thank members** and ask them to continue to renew their membership or donate via Pay Pal.
7. **Encourage everyone** present to become a member and to volunteer
8. **Give examples as to how they could help**
9. **The Cause for Canonization is costly** and we appreciation and thank those of you who have donated in addition to your membership.
10. In an effort to tell the Nonco Story and to raise money the **video of The Nonco Story and Magnet with picture of Nonco and the Vintage Badge of the Sacred Heart** are available at the entry tables.
11. **Invite everyone to the Annual Meeting on Saturday, December 7** following the vigil Mass of the Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

### Equipment

1. **Speaker** that works-it has not been effective for the past two years , Computer, screen, microphone (Very important to have microphone!), video DVD for presentation of the Nonco Story, (**Charles Taylor**)
2. **Public Address System** of the Little Flower Auditorium (Willie) or of the KC Hall

### Pictures taken Before, During and After Mass

1. **Little Flower Auditorium before Mass**
2. Registration tables,
3. Table with pictures,
4. Easels with posters
5. Paintings of Nonco,
6. Sacred Heart Statue,
7. Stage
8. **In Front of Church before Mass:**
9. Greeters: Main Entrance – Iris & Allen LeBlanc & Betty Arnaud; Left Exit-Maria, Right Entrance-Luiz
10. Nonco Board with Bishop in this order: Founder, Jerry Richard; President/Treasurer, Charles Taylor; President Elect, Suzanne Huval Stelly; Past President, Allen LeBlanc; Past President, Charles Hardy; Secretary, Mary Belleau; Website & Facebook Chair, Candide Wyble; Directors, Iris LeBlanc and Sis Laporte.
11. **In Church**
12. Procession (possibly also video) of KCs, Priests, and Bishop
13. From the choir loft: Altar with Bishop, Altar with Bishop and Priests
14. Choir
15. Altar from church isle: Bishop in center of the altar, Bishop with priests,
16. Pulpit: Reader of 1<sup>st</sup> Reading, Responsorial Psalm Reader, Reader of 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading
17. Pulpit: Bishop delivering the Homily
18. Pulpit: Person reading Prayers of the Faithful
19. **Recession as they exit church:** KCs, Priests, and Bishop
20. **In front of church and on LFA side of church:** People leaving church for Little Flower Auditorium; from porch of LFA people coming to reception

21. **Reception**: Family Pictures behind the Sacred Heart Statue: Pelafigue, Hardy, Hebert, Frederick, After Event
22. **An e-mail blast informed pastors**, who also celebrated a Mass for Nonco on June 30, 2019, **of the streaming video on the Diocese of Lafayette Website** of the Mass celebrated by Bishop Deshotel in Arnaudville. (See Mary Belleau's "Sent" E-mails 7-9-19)
23. **An e-mail blast was also sent to continue Nonco's work** to abovementioned church pastors, plus the 15 local priests who knew Nonco, the Headmistresses of the Academy of the Sacred Heart in New Orleans and Grand Coteau, and the Baton Rouge Catholic Radio Station. It was requested **that the Pope's Monthly Prayer Intentions be shared with their congregations daily** at Mass during the Prayers of the Faithful, **weekly** in their church bulletins and *publications*, on their **Website** and on their **Facebook**. (See Mary Belleau's "Sent" E-mails 8-19 & 20,-2019)
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