

NADD Annual Business Meeting Minutes
St. Petersburg, FL
Convention 2023

Wednesday April 26, 2023 - 1:30 PM

- The meeting was opened with a prayer by Deacon Mark Machuga.
- The meeting was called to order by Chairman Deacon Dennis Dorner. He thanked everyone for attending and offered compliments to the Diocese of St. Petersburg and the hotel for the level of hospitality and planning. He also thanked the Convention Committee. There was a specific attempt to increase two workshops at a time, one focused on Formation and the other on Ministry and Life. So far, it has been a well-received Convention.
- The Secretary, Deacon Jim Grevenites, then displayed and verbally reviewed the minutes from the Business Meeting at the Convention in Orange California. The minutes were approved and seconded by the membership.
- Dennis then introduced the Board of Directors by name and invited them to stand. They included himself, as the Chairman, Deacons David Kushner, Vice-Chair, Jim Grevenites, Secretary Treasurer, and Region II, Stephen Pitre, Don Longano, Region IV, Dennis Nash, Region V, Mark Machuga, Region VI, Richard Hudzik Region VII, Mark Kober Region VIII, David Ford, Region XI, Scott Dodge, Region XIII. Board Members, Deacon Frank Luca, Region I, Pat Cline, Region III, Jim Obradovich, Region IX, Lamar Yarbrough Region X and Mrs. Penny Simmons Region XIV were unable to attend. This year we will be voting for a new Vice-Chairman, information on that to follow, and we are still seeking a representative for Region XII. Applause were offered.
- Dennis then offered his thanks and appreciation to the Key note Speakers, Dr. Michael Takic and Deacon Bill Ditewig, as well as all the presenters who were both NADD members and non-members. Finally, he thanked all the vendors that included CM Almy, Divine Mercy University, Catholic Tours, Catholic Men's Leadership Alliance, who sponsored lunch on Wednesday, Bagley Travel Ministry, Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology, Sanit Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology, Holy Land Travel Center, and St. Leo University - Diaconate Formation Program.
- The Chairman's Report was offered, a copy of the report is on file.

- Finance Committee - Deacon Jim Grevenites then offered the Finance Committee Report. A copy of the NADD Balance Sheet as well as the proposed budget (23-24) and YTD expenditures was provided to the membership a week prior to the meeting. The Secretary Treasurer Report, the Balance Sheet, and Budget are all on file. The only issue questioned raised was the cost of Insurance which showed a \$3,000 expense to a \$1,000 budget. The Insurance is Errors and Omissions and covered a three-year renewal. We will maintain the \$1,000 budget just to ensure it is covered. We noted that we will move \$150,000 of the funds from Bank of America to the TD Ameritrade Investment Account. This year the investment account made \$30,000. The Financial Report was approved and seconded by the membership.
- Convention Committee - Deacon Denny Nash of Louisville offered a brief overview of the planning for the 2024 Convention. Bourbon and Horses! The 2024 Convention will be held at the Galt House in downtown Louisville from April 9th through April 11th. More information to come, watch the website!
- Best Practices Committee - Deacon Dennis introduced Deacon Steve Pitre to discuss the Best Practices Committee. After two years of planning and reviewing the Vision Statement NADD has created the Best Practices Committee to replace the Continuing Formation and Technology Committee. This committee will focus on vetted Formation and Post Formation links to be connected to the website as well as other offering that NADD make offer like monthly or quarterly Workshops via a Zoom type presentation. Watch for more to come from this committee.
- Nominations - Dennis then offered a special thanks to Deacon David Kushner, our Vicer-Chair for his work with NADD, the Executive Committee and the Board over the last few years. He was instrumental in the transition that took place during COVID. David no longer serves as the Director so he will be leaving his position on the Board of Directors. Chairman Dorner opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chairman. Nominations had been requested via Constant Contact Notifications for 2 months prior to the Convention. No nominations were submitted. Deacon Don Longano nominated Deacon Mark Machuga for the position. No other Nominations were received.
- The meeting was adjourned at 2:15pm until tomorrow at which time the vote will be taken.

Annual NADD Business Meeting Continues
Thursday April 27, 2022 9:00 AM

- The meeting was called to order by Chairman Deacon Dennis Dorner. The NADD members present were asked to raise their hands. Each would receive a ballot for

the Vice Chairman position. Ballots were distributed by Deacon Don Longano, chairman of the Nominations and Elections Committee.

- After the ballots were taken the meeting was suspended with a presentation by Rev. Jorge Torres, the USCCB Secretary for the Office Consecrated Life, Clergy and Vocations which oversees the Diaconate.
- After the presentation was concluded Deacon Don Longano reported the election results and Deacon Mark Machuga of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati has been elected Vice-Chairman and will assume that position at the end of the Convention. The Board Members will be installed at the closing Evening Prayer Liturgy on Thursday.
- After a call for New Business, there was none, the Annual Business Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Deacon Jim Grevenites
NADD Secretary/Treasurer
April 27, 2023