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MEET THE OFFICERS



THOUGHTS FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Connie Bancroft

"There is a time for everything; and a season for every activity under heaven..." -Ecclesiastes 3:1

While attending Pastor's Conference in April 2015, I felt God confirming within my spirit that a season in my life was coming to an end. After attending a powerful worship session, I went back to my room and wrote my letter of resignation as the Executive Director of Teachers Saving Children® effective August 31, 2017.

When seven concerned teachers came together in February, 1991, I never dreamed that I would be asked to serve as the co-chairperson and then eventually the Executive Director of the Ohio Affiliate. Then in 1994, as the Ohio Affiliate made the decision to oversee the National organization, I was again humbled by the privilege of serving as the Executive Director at that level. After much prayerful consideration during that week at Pastor's Conference, I clearly sensed then and clearly sense now that it is time to step aside as the Executive Director.

It has been exciting to watch the Lord move in and through this small entity. It has also been exciting to see His hand in guiding this organization to influence hearts and lives across this nation. God has not called us to be successful, but obedient and faithful to that which He has called us to do. The results are in His hands. Thus, what a blessing it has been – not only to serve, but also to connect with wonderful people from across the nation.

Beginning this Fall until August 31, 2017, I will be mentoring the Executive Director Elect so that a very smooth transition may occur. Please keep me, the Executive Director Elect, and the Board of Trustees in your prayers as this transition takes place. Please support the new leadership that God is putting into place as the work of this organization continues moving forward.

Thank you for your respectful support and for allowing me the opportunity to serve as the Executive Director for the past 20+ years. It has been a blessing that I will always treasure.

In order to move forward as an organization, the decision was made to delegate more responsibility to various board members and officers so that the Executive Director Elect will not be overwhelmed and for the transition to be smooth.



Gary Winney will continue to serve as the Treasurer. Previously, Gary monitored the financial work that the Executive Director performed. Now, Gary will actually care for the monthly financial responsibilities. Beginning this

summer, Connie will mentor Gary in receiving and entering all memberships and donations. Connie will also mentor Gary in paying bills, doing the financial reports, and creating the budget.

John Gordon will continue to serve as the Secretary. Previously, John took minutes at the meeting only, but did not finalize those minutes. Now, John will not only take the minutes, but finalize those minutes in collaboration with the Executive Director. John will also oversee the FACEBOOK page and account. Beginning in the fall, John will prepare the quarterly newsletter in collaboration with Judy Bruns, our public relations chairperson.



John Saxe will continue to serve as the Assistant Executive Director. One of John's responsibilities will be to oversee the Education Outreach events and activities.

Greg Roth serves as a member-at-large. Beginning this Fall, Greg will have the responsibility to create the monthly email blasts.



The Board of Trustees is still praying regarding the individual who will serve as the Executive Director Elect with the hopes of making a final decision this Fall. Connie will mentor that individual until August 31, 2017.

PLEASE NOTE: The address and phone number for Teachers Saving Children® will remain the same!!!!

If you have questions about this transition, please ask. We have always agreed to be upfront and above board; so please ask rather than assume as there may be something that needs to be shared or clarified which we have not thought about. Thank you for your prayers and continued support!

DEVELOPING A CULTURE OF LIFE IN THE CLASSROOM

By Laura Kizior

In today's world, talking about pro-life topics in the classroom is becoming increasingly important. Subjects like science or ethics are filled with opportunities for students to learn about the inestimable worth of the human person. But what if you teach a subject like literature or history?

The Culture of Life Studies Program, a new educational program from American Life League, provides teachers with the resources they need to help students learn pro-life values in every subject and grade level. The program consists of unit studies and short lessons that uncover the pro-life themes in literature, history, science, religion, and art. These unit studies are flexible and easily integrated into any existing curriculum or lesson plan.

The Culture of Life Studies Program works with today's pro-life leaders and experts so that every supplement delivers the best pro-life facts and training available. Busy teachers no longer have to spend time creating their own pro-life lesson plans or wonder how to incorporate pro-life topics into everyday school subjects. In addition, the program has been endorsed by His Eminence Cardinal Raymond Burke, Bobby Schindler, Abby Johnson, Jason Jones, as well as private school teachers and principals.

Students can start the program as early as kindergarten where they learn about the beauty of the human person in the earliest stages of development. When students reach middle school and junior high school, they begin to learn the basic definitions of threats against the human person, such as abortion and euthanasia. In the high school unit studies, students tackle these topics more in-depth and are encouraged to use their knowledge to evangelize the culture.

The Culture of Life Studies Program targets the culture of death by introducing students to a new way of life - a culture of life that not only ends abortion and threats against human dignity, but that rebuilds society and strikes at the root of the problems that make women believe that they have no other choice than to kill their babies.

If we want to end abortion in our lifetimes, we must educate the next generation to articulate the truth that every human being has inherent dignity and a right to life. Each of us has a duty to change our world to respect the dignity of every person. What are you going to do?

Editor's Note: Laura Kizior is a content developer for American Life League's Culture of Life Studies Program, which stresses the culture of life as an integral part of every academic discipline. CLSP is dedicated to helping students become effective communicators of the pro-life message. Visit us online at CultureOfLifeStudies.com or [Facebook.com/ALLCLSP](https://www.facebook.com/ALLCLSP).

PAST TEACHERS SAVING CHILDREN® TRUSTEE NAMED 2016 REPUBLICAN OF THE YEAR FOR MERCER COUNTY OHIO

David Kaiser was an original Board of Trustees member for Teachers Saving Children® and served faithfully for 22 years with the Ohio Chapter and 19 years with the National Board of Trustees, both since their inception. He was also instrumental in founding Mercer County Right to Life and has been an active member for 43 years. After retiring from 33 years of teaching, he was first appointed Mercer County (Ohio) Treasurer and later elected to the position. On April 14, 2016, David was presented with an award which named him the 2016 Republican of the year for Mercer County.

Ohio Senate President Keith Faber and Mercer County Auditor Randy Grapner presented David with the award. During the presentation, Grapner referred to David with a multitude of adjectives, such as principled, committed, compassionate, and passionate; fair, trustworthy, and giving. Auditor Grapner added that David Kaiser is a man of integrity, morals, and faith. Ohio Senate President Faber presented Kaiser with a resolution honoring the award. Faber stated that among other things, David is an advocate for his county and for local governments, too.

In learning about Kaiser receiving this award, Connie Bancroft, Executive Director of Teachers Saving Children® agreed with Grapner's and Senator Faber's comments, having known David for many years. "During the time that David Kaiser served on the Teachers Saving Children® Board of Trustees, he was very committed and giving," she said. "His moral standards were always very high. He certainly is a man of integrity. The Board of Trustees and I feel David is very worthy of this award."

In accepting the honor, Kaiser expressed his gratitude and stated that he was taken by surprise. With a humble spirit, he stated that he has done the job he was elected to do, adding that he felt others were much more deserving of the award than he.



Ohio Senate President Keith Faber, David Kaiser, Ethel Kaiser, Mercer County Auditor Randy Grapner

Note: Portions of this article were taken from the [Celina Daily Standard](#) article, April 15, 2016.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

April 30, 2016: The Teachers Saving Children® National Board of Trustees met in Coldwater, Ohio, for their regularly scheduled Spring meeting. The following are highlights of some of the items that were discussed:



1. Election of Officers for the 2016-2017 fiscal year was held. Connie Bancroft will serve as the Executive Director; John Saxe will serve as the Assistant Executive Director; John Gordon will serve as Secretary; Gary Winney will serve as Treasurer. The Executive Director Elect will be chosen during the Fall Board of Trustees Meeting.
2. The Board of Trustees approved a recommendation to make application for an exhibit at the NEA Expo 2017 in Boston MA. By making this decision now, there will be a savings in the costs as well as the opportunity to select an exhibit location that will allow Teachers Saving Children® to maximize their visibility. In addition, Teachers Saving Children® will have an exhibit at the Students for Life of American East Coast Conference and at the West Coast Walk for Life in San Francisco CA in January 2017.
3. The Board of Trustees spent time discussing various ideas to improve communication with members and to increase membership. Through our monthly email blast this summer, there will be an opportunity for members to share their thoughts through a survey link.
4. The next Board of Trustees meeting will be Saturday, July 16, 2016 in Alliance OH. The Fall Board of Trustees Meeting will be Saturday, September 24, 2016 with the location yet to be decided. Any member interested in attending this meeting should contact the National Office for meeting details.

EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH: “THE WONDER OF LIFE” – FINANCIAL UPDATE

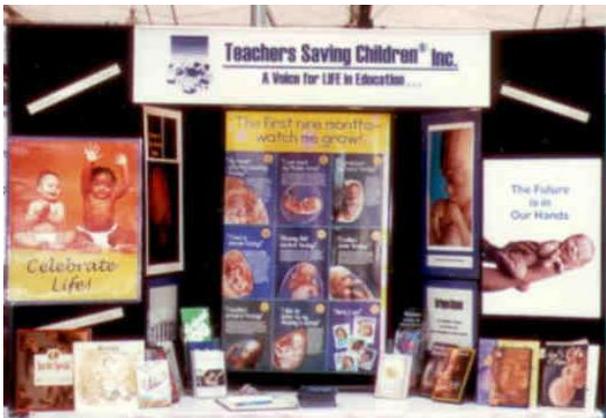
“And my God will meet all your needs according to His glorious riches in Christ Jesus.” -Philippians 4:19

Once again we have the opportunity to reach thousands of educators with the pro-life message. The NEA Expo 2016 will be held July 2-3 in Washington DC, prior to the NEA RA. The purpose of the exhibit will be to promote and provide educational classroom materials especially for science and health teachers.

The application and full payment has been made. In addition to the exhibit application fees, there will also be miscellaneous fees of approximately \$1000. Currently we have less than \$1000 in this particular account and therefore we do not currently have the funds for these expenses.

Each year we also purchase pro-life brochures, books, and videos to distribute free of charge to individuals who visit our exhibit. Each year we exhaust our supply of these materials and need to replenish them before the next Expo. Only as funds are available, are materials purchased for distribution. To allow for shipping, we need to process orders no later than June 1. Currently there are no funds available to purchase these materials.

This year we did not send out a letter to request funds as we have done the past 3 years. Instead, we trusted God for His provision without an appeal letter. As in the past, each year we rely on the goodness of God and His people to raise the money for this effective pro-life education ministry. We have never been disappointed with His provision through you, our members and benefactors. Please prayerfully consider being a part of this special endeavor by sending in a contribution today. We say “thank you” in advance.



God Will Provide a Way (abbreviated)

Words by Becki Moore
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**God will provide a way, I know He'll provide a way;
'Cause His word is true, and He will do it for you –
God will provide a way.**

**It may be at the very last moment,
When your faith is all that's pulling you through;
It may be in the most unexpected way,
But He'll provide an answer for you.**

**God will provide a way, I know He'll provide a way;
'Cause His word is true, and He will do it for you –
God will provide a way.**

Note: Please make checks payable to “TSC Inc. – National”. Carefully note how the amount given is to be designated (Educational Outreach) so that the contribution will be appropriately allocated. As a tax-exempt organization approved under Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code, contributions received are **NOT** tax deductible.



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2016-2017 MEMBERSHIPS

Teachers Saving Children® membership is open to all pro-life/pro-family educators and concerned citizens. Please be advised that, according to the Teachers Saving Children® Constitution & Bylaws, the membership year is from September 1 – August 31, though we do begin renewing memberships in June. Annual dues are \$35.00, with a reduced rate of \$15.00 for students presently enrolled in a college or university undergraduate degree program and also for retired educators currently receiving retiree benefits. Husband and wife may join under the same membership. Contributions and memberships are **NOT** tax deductible.

In June, we will begin accepting new memberships for the 2016-2017 membership year. We will again be offering the **\$15 coupon, which can be applied toward any first-time membership received during the 2016-2017 membership year.** Any new memberships received after June 1st are good until August 31, 2017.

Renewal membership information will be sent to all current members in late June. Please help the Teachers Saving Children® office keep accurate records by verifying all membership information. Please make sure your membership forms are accurate, complete, signed, and dated.

Thank you for your continued support in being “A Voice for LIFE in Education.”

NEA CONVENTION 2016

The 2016 NEA Representative Assembly will be held in Washington DC from July 2-7. If you are an NEA member, it is vital that you contact your delegates to the RA, letting them know your philosophy on various issues. If you have a delegate(s) from your local attending the NEA RA, contact should be very easy. However, many locals do not, or cannot, send delegates to the NEA either because of the financial burden or their small membership size. Regardless, know that someone will be representing you! Check with your local president as to who will be representing you – either as a local delegate, an at-large state delegate(s), or possibly a clustered local delegate. By the first part of May, local presidents should know who your area delegate representative(s) will be. If they don't know, ask them to find out by contacting your State Affiliate NEA office. Get involved by contacting your NEA delegates! They are your representatives!

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