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NEW JERSEY CATHOLIC HISTORICAL RECORDS COMMISSION
SETON HALL UNIVERSITY, S. ORANGE, N.J. 07079

Minutes of the meeting of Oct. 24, 1978.

Meeting came to order at 10:05 A.M. Present: Bishop Dougherty, Msgr. Field, Frs. Keller, Sullivan, , Sr. Margherita, Msrs. Bush, Mahoney, Mitchell, Reilly, Fr. Seymour. Mr. Peter Wosh, archivist, attended the meeting.

The status of grant applications was discussed. CETA has been advised the the Commission is a legitimate organization for reception of grants, and Essex County CETA has requested that the former application be resubmitted. The grant was sent to CETA on Oct. 24, 1978.

Applications to NEH and NHPRC are in process. The initial letter to NEH should go out early in November at the latest; NHPRC grant is being reshaped in the light of their comments. Some items we have already met; others need determination, esp. the on-going nature of relationship between archives of the archdiocese (and of other dioceses) and the Commission.

Fr. Seymour and Prof. Mahoney a committee of two to draft a comprehensive plan for microfilming materials, to include question of Mormon support, problems of confidentiality (e.g., adoption laws), etc. for submission to next meeting.

Fr. Sullivan raised the question of space necessary for the Commission, in connection with discussion of 324 Center St. Agreed that an estimate will be devised.

After extensive discussion of question of issuing a brochure and a newsletter, a committee of Msgr. Field, Fr. Sullivan, Prof. Reilly and Mr. Wosh was appointed to report on the feasibility of a newsletter at the next meeting.

Msgr. Field reported that the Bishops of Newark will be available Dec. 3. Initial printing: 4,000 paper-bound; 1,000 hardbound; 500 embossed. Cost approximately \$17,000.00.

Msgr. Field moved to have the Commission, through the University, award a citation or medal to Fred Peters for his work on the book. After discussion, Msgr. Field and Prof. Mitchell were appointed a committee to follow up the possibility and report to the Commission.

Commission membership in the Society of American Archivists, Oral History Association, AHA, ACHA, OAH and American Assn of State and Local History was discussed. Decision to be made at next meeting.

Next meeting will see final action on proposed advisory board.

Next meeting will take place at 10:00 A.M., Tuesday, November 28, 1978 at the AFA Club, Seton Hall University.

Meeting adjourned at 11:25, A.M.