YMI Seminarian Educational Foundation (SEF) Minutes from February 6, 2025 Meeting

Call to Order: President Larry Andreatta called the SEF meeting to order at 7:39 p.m. via Zoom.

Opening Prayer: Fr. Agnel #32 began the meeting with an inspiring opening prayer.

Pledge of Allegiance Br. Andreatta led the pledge, with his fellow YMI Brothers joining him and with Fr. Agnel and Br. Oberst holding American flags.

Roll Call:

Present were: L Andreatta, President #32 T. Fourie Treasurer #32 M. Amato, Secretary #613

Fr. A. D'Heredia, #32 M. Nelson, #80 S. Cresci, #32 D. Cresci. #32

P. Oberst #32 R. Murphy #32 S. Davis #32

Excused were: B. Avery#80 B. Walls #80 C. Amato, #613 B. Bartoli, #32

Absent were: N. Franceshine, VP #54 P. Walsh #32

Reading of the Minutes: The distributed minutes of the November 7th SEF meeting were approved unanimously after a motion was made by Br Andreatta #32 and seconded by Br. Fourie #32.

Treasurer's report: Br. Fourie #32 distributed the SEF Financial Report for the month ending December 31, 2024 by e-mail. No discussion. Motion to accept report was made by Br. S. Cresci #32 and seconded by Br. D. Cresci #32 and the motion was approved without objection.

Reading of the bills: No new bills were reported.

Communications: No communications were received.

Committee reports: None.

Unfinished Business:

- SEF Scholarship Award Application Form: The SEF Board discussed the status of the scholarship application form. In November 2024, the Board adopted the following two changes:
 - 1. Changing the IRS acknowledgement statement on page 1 from "read and understand" to "read and accept" (this edit would negate the need to have a signature line on the second page).
 - 2. Adding a line space for the seminarian to provide a contact phone number.
 - Br. Fourie #32 reported a problem finding the original application to make the revisions. The current document on-line is a PDF. After some discussion, Br. Nelson indicated he knew how to edit a PDF file and offered to revise the application. After completion, Br. Nelson #80 will work with the YMI Headquarters to distribute the revised application to the SEF Board and to the Grand Secretary, Br. Dimech #613, so it can be posted to the YMI website.
- Scholarship Funds: No applications have been submitted to date, so too early to determine how much
 will be needed for 2025 scholarships at this point. For our May meeting, we should have more
 information. We will likely need funds from our investment accounts around May/June 2025 period,
 as awards are typically distributed at the Grand Council Sessions to the sponsoring Councils in midJune.

New Business:

None

Good of the Order:

- Br. Murphy #32 shared some details about the March 1st Red & White Mass. More reservations are requested!
- Fr. Agnel will be celebrating 45 years as a priest on May 1st.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on Thursday, May 1st at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom. The agenda will include the consideration of submitted scholarship applications. Br. S. Cresci graciously agreed to arrange the Zoom connection.

Closing Prayer: The closing prayer was led by Br. Fr. Agnel #32.

Adjournment: After thanking the Board for participating in the meeting, President Andreatta #32 called for an adjournment at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted; Brother Mike amalo, Secretary.

2024-25 Board Members Roll:	Term Ends
President, Larry Andreatta #32	2025
V.P., Nick Franceschine #54 (PGP, GD)	2025
Treasurer, Tom Fourie #32 (PGP)	2025
Secretary, Mike Amato #613 (PGP, GD)	2027
Cosmo Amato #613 (GIS)	2025
Bob Bartoli #32 (PGP, GT)	2026
Dennis Cresci, #32	2026
Paul Walsh #32	2026
Steve Cresci #32 (IPGP)	2027
Phil Oberst #32 (PGP)	2027
Mike Nelson #80 (PGPx2)	2027
Rev. Fr. Agnel De Heredia #32 (GC)	ex officio
Billy Avery #80 (GP)	ex officio
Bill Walls #80 (GFVP)	ex officio
Richard Murphy #32 (GSVP)	ex officio
Financial Adviser Steve Davis #32	non-voting

