

MINUTES FOR St. ANDREW'S CONFERENCE MEETING

Date: 9/28/2020

Call to Order/Opening Prayer: Father Greg (x) Diane () Other () Time: 5:00 pm

Spiritual Reading: Fr. Greg () Margaret (x) Other ()

Who are you???? Remaining: Diane, Estella, Ann F, Michaela, Sandee, Barbara,

Minutes of Previous Meeting: (x) Read/Approved; Approved with Changes ()

Attendance: Total Active Members (31); LOA (2) Present (22) Absent (9) Quorum (16)

MEMBERS		MEMBERS		MEMBERS		TRAINING	
Al	x	Gloria	A	Michaela	x	Maria	x
Ann F.	A	Hilary	x	Mike F.	x		
Ann L.	x	Janet	x	Norm	x		
Barbara	LOA	Jerry	x	Pauline	A		
Bryant	LOA	JoAnn	x	Sandra	x		
Dennis	A	Kathy	x	Scotty	A		
Diane	x	Margaret	x	Toni	x		
Dotti	A	Marge	A	Yolanda	A		
Estela	A	Martha G.	x				
Francisca	x	Mary Ellen	x	Father Greg	x		
George	x	Mary	x	Stan *	A		
Gini	x	Michael C	x				
Glenn	x						

Absent plus 30 days: *Stan and Father Greg - Not included in Quorum

Unfinished Business:

1. Diane Inducted Shelly and Maria as Associate members.
 - Thank you for your dedication and the support you provide to our friends and SVdP conference.
2. Father Greg inducted Martha as new President.
 - Diane thanked the board members and all Vincentians for the support they provided her during her term as president.
 - Father Greg thanked Diane for her service as president for almost three years. Your creativity, energy and dedication has grown our conference in support of the poor. The conference is back on track in a very beautiful way thanks to your yes to serving as president.
 - Father Greg thanked Martha for her beautiful gift of yes to our conference to serve as president. Martha brings a lot of experience to our council. She has served as president of our conference, committee chair for the food bank and as a President of the District Council.
 - Martha presented certificates of appreciation to Diane, for her years as president, and to Glenn for his years as Treasurer and his assistance with finances.
3. Zoom vs in person meetings:
 - We are considering resuming weekly in person meetings instead of using Zoom. Kino hall is available and a microphone will be available to use so everyone can

hear what is being said. If you have a preference for in person or zoom meetings please let Martha know via email. It will be discussed at the October 5th meeting.

4. The October 5th meeting will be via Zoom. Al will send a meeting invite.
5. SWG grants: Stewart said these are hold while they try to get an EIN number. This could take several weeks. In the meantime, submit SWG special case request to the Special Case committee.

New Business:

1. Upcoming events
 - a. Board meeting tomorrow, Tuesday 9/29 at 9:45 a.m.
 - b. Ann Fellrath is the new Food Bank Committee Chairman.
 - c. Mary Ellen is the new Thrift Store Committee Chairman.
 - d. Both will be Board members.
2. Home Visits: None to report
3. Special cases: Amount available:
 - All grant money is used but we are expecting to receive more grant money in the near future. There are SVdP funds so you can still submit special case requests to the Special Case committee.
 - If a rent or utility need is COVID related Salvation Army can assist. The friend will need documentation showing the need is directly caused by COVID.
4. Vincentian Reports on difficult or touching cases:
 - Our friend Joanie came in today needing help with her mortgage. She went to Salvation Army but they can't use their grant fund for mortgages. Mary Ellen submitted a special case request to assist with her mortgage.
5. Conference Members Sick or in Distress / Prayers for others: Emailed separately
6. Vincentian Schedule: Al will email separately.
7. For the good of the order:
 - Father Greg: Go shop at the thrift store before October 1st. Shelly wants to hit her September goal of \$40,000. She is very close to reaching the goal.
 - Kathy and Mike went to see the Memorial Wall. WarriorHealingCenter personnel were there distributing information about their organization. Kathy picked us some of their cards. Their office is not open but veterans can call and speak with someone if they need assistance.

Closing Prayer: Fr. Greg (x) Martha () Other ()

Adjourned: 6:45 pm

Recorder: Mary (Secretary) (x) Other ()