MINUTES FOR St. ANDREW'S CONFERENCE MEETING

Date: 02/01/2021

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

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

<u>Minutes of Previous Meeting:</u> (x)Read/Approved; Approved with Changes () Ann L. made a motion to accept the minutes. Dennis seconded. Motion passed.

Attendance: Total Active Members (27); LOA (6) Present (22) Absent (5) Quorum (14)

<u>MEMBERS</u>		MEMBERS		<u>MEMBERS</u>		Associate Member	
Al	x	Gloria	Α	Michaela	LOA	Maria	х
Ann F.	LOA	Hilary	х	Mike F.	x		
Ann L.	x	Janet	х	Norm	Α	Visitor	
Barbara	LOA	Jerry	х	Pauline	х	Ann Lee	x
Bryant	LOA	JoAnn	Α	Sandra	Α		
Dennis	x	Kathy	х	Scotty	х		
Diane	х	Margaret	х	Toni	Α	In Training	
Dotti	x	Marge	х	Yolanda	х		
Estela	LOA	Martha G.	х				
Francisca	LOA	Mary Ellen	х	Father Greg *	Α		
George	х	Mary	х	Stan *	Α		
Gini	х	Michael C	х				
Glenn	х						

^{*}Stan and Father Greg - Not included in Quorum

Unfinished Business:

New Business:

- 1. Upcoming Events
 - SVDP Communal Mass is Tuesday, Feb. 9th. Let Mary know if you attend.
 - Birthdays in February:
 - 1. Bryant Sayers Feb. 17
 - 2. Dennis Wilker Feb. 23.
 - Rosa fell and broke her hip and arm. Father Ramonito visited and gave prayers of healing. OLM Knights of Columbus provides wheelchairs if needed. She is in the hospital in Tucson. Please keep her and Tom in your prayers.
 - The Safeway gift cards are being mailed today. Should receive them soon.
 - Martha interviewed Larry Powers. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus and is interested in becoming a Vincentian. Scotty will be his mentor.
 - February 8th meeting will be Zoom.

2. Reports

- Finance Committee
 - 1. December expenses above budget especially in Aid to Friends.
 - 2. We use SVdP conference funds for Special cases and United Way reimburses us the first week of the following month.
 - 3. Overall we are still doing okay as far as total monies go.
- Thrift Store Committee
 - 1. The remodel if finished and looks great.
 - 2. Shelly is continuing to reset the store for the planned re-grand opening which is currently planned for 8 February.
 - 3. Flags, banners and pennants were ordered to highlight the re-grand opening. Also plan to advertise it in

the herald.

- 4. January sales were \$21,000. They were down in January because of the remodel and the store being closed a couple of days.
- 5. The Thrift Store committee is going to get estimates for improved heating of the store.
- Food Bank Committee
 - 1. Total pounds donated in December 68,000.
 - 2. Total pounds given to friends in December 80,000
 - 3. Total spent on food \$28,000
 - 4. Food boxes given out 1029
 - 5. Number of friends served 3600
 - 6. Volunteers are needed for Thursdays and Fridays at the food bank to help cover Tom and Rosa's absence.
 - 7. Thrift Store Committee is in the process of getting estimates to pave the dirt/gravel portion of the parking area in front of the Connex at the Conference building.
- Special Case Committee
 - 1. \$10,000 available from United Way for rent.
 - 2. \$3,000 available from United Way for utilities.
 - 3. \$10,000 available from SVdP Conference funds.
 - 4. If there is any COVID connection to the utility or rent request please include it in the Special Case write up.
 - 5. Remember on Special cases to fill out the HUD form.
- Poor Box : \$123.90
- 3. Home Visits: Ann L. and Mike F. delivered two food boxes.
- 4. Special Cases: Nothing specific but, because of COVID and handling special cases over the phone, we no longer have face to face contact with our friends during the interview process. At times, the personal connection between Vincentian and friend is lacking. From discussion it appears that some friends seem to expect an automatic "yes" for any request they bring to us month after month. Be sure to read the friends file and follow the established guidelines for rent and utilities. Also, be sure to clearly annotate, in the friends file, any assistance provided.
 - \$200 per year, per household from SVdP Conference funds.
 - \$250 per household from United Way Special Case funds. Must be COVID related. They can receive assistance again after 60 days.
 - The Finance Committee will relook at these dollar amounts at the next finance meeting.
- 5. Vincentian Reports on difficult or touching cases: None
- 6. Prayer Requests: emailed separately
- 7. Vincentian Schedule: emailed separately
- 8. For the good of the order:
 - Dennis spoke with Father Greg about Catholics receiving the current COVID vaccine. Per Dennis, Father Greg did not express any issue with Catholics receiving the current COVID vaccines that are being administered.

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

Adjourned: 6:00 p.m.

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