

# MINUTES FOR St. ANDREW'S CONFERENCE MEETING

**Date: 02/08/2021**

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

**If you have a special case, do you have your forms filled out and emailed to the Special Case Committee?**

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

**Who are you??!!**

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:** (x) Read/Approved; Approved with Changes ( ) Ann L. made a motion to approve the minutes. Gini seconded. Motion passed.

**Attendance: Total Active Members (27); LOA (6) Present (23) Absent (4) Quorum (14)**

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

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

## **Unfinished Business:**

1. Thrift Store Renovations/Grand Re-opening
  - The Grand Re-Opening and ribbon cutting will take place February 16th at 10:00 a.m.
  - Father Greg will do the Invocation and Blessing of the store.
  - The CEO of the local branch of the AZ SW Credit Union which was the seed money for the renovations, Ann Lee with OLM SVdP, and The Sierra Vista Salvation Army leadership have been invited.
  - Dana Cole with the Sierra Vista Herald is writing an article highlighting the Grand Re-Opening and will also be present at the Grand Re-Opening.
  - There will be 112 gift bags for the first 112 persons who make purchases.
  - Special sales will take place throughout the day.
  - If it gets busy there will be a limit on the number of persons allowed in the store at any one time.
  - If any Vincentians attend please wear your Vincentian shirts and name tags.
  - The Thrift Store needs furniture. This will be posted on facebook and put in the bulletin.
  
2. Status of Grant Applications - Scotty
  - SVdP is considering applying for funding for a project that would be part of the city's Community Development Block Grant.
  - All Vincentians are invited to participate, which will require some pre-work and help with putting together a project proposal that would meet HUD objectives specified in the application.
  - First there will be a Zoom meeting on Friday, February 12th at 5:00 p.m. If you want to be involved read the application, which will be emailed to everyone, and participate in this Zoom meeting.
  - Secondly, the city will be hosting a an application workshop on Tuesday, February 18th at 3:00 p.m. Information

will be attached in the email sent by Scotty. This will be an on-line/virtual meeting.

- The application is due on Friday, March 5th by 4:00 p.m.
- There will be a public hearing on the CDBG on Thursday, March 11th at 5:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

### 3. Update on Rosa's Condition

- Rosa has a brace on her leg and her arm is in a partial cast and sling. She is on pain medications.
- She will accept prepared meals but call her to clarify a good time for bringing food to the house. She likes chicken.
- Keep her and Tom in your prayers.

## **New Business:**

### 1. Upcoming events:

- Reminder - Tuesday, February. 9th, is SVDP Communal Mass. Still live stream only. If you attend please email Mary and let her know so she can track hours.
- Daily Mass starts in-person again on Monday, February 15th.
- Safeway Debit Cards, worth a combined total of \$1,000, have been received from the Diocesan Council. They are not activated yet. Stan uses them to buy food at Safeway.
- The Board meeting is February 23rd at 10:00 a.m. Madonna Hall.
- The Thrift Store Committee meeting is February 9th.
- The Finance Committee meeting is February 19th 10:00 a.m. Madonna Hall
- Pauline will contact the Food Bank committee personnel and try to schedule a meeting with them.
- Estimates are still being gathered for the planned paving of the Conference front parking lot that is currently gravel.

### 2. Home Visits:

- Mary Ellen: Theresa is doing great and accepted the apartment that was found for her at Lenzner and Busby. Her voucher covers rent and utilities.
- Brian T. came by the conference and does not appear to be doing to good. He did get some food but he only wants specific items. Stan said he does have a place to live but not sure where it is.

### 3. Special cases:

- SVdP Conference Special Case funds ~~-\$9437~~
- United Way Rent Special Case Funds \$36,147
- United Way Utility Special Case Funds \$21,560
- When writing checks for special cases, if at all possible, write one check and annotate on the check stub which pots of money are being used and how much from each fund. Also, put your name or initials on the check stub.
- When updating a friends file do not put "Team". If you are updating the file put your name. If two people assist the same person on the same day put both peoples names in the file.

### 4. Vincentian Reports on difficult or touching cases:

- A friend Amy came by the conference on Wednesday, February 3rd. She appeared to be under the influence of drugs. She was sobbing and very emotionally distraught. To prevent any scene at the front door, Pauline took her to the big office and calmed her down. Blanca called an 800 number from the Cenpatico flyer to get them to send some help. They showed up about 1 1/2 hours after they were called. We called the S.V. Police shortly before the two counselors arrived and the police officer said they were familiar with Amy and suggested we wait for the counselors to arrive. Once the counselors arrived Amy recognized them and was willing to go with them. Pauline has spoken with the crisis hotline since this occurred and learned the people we called are not Cenpatico. They are a crisis hotline. They take your information and get in touch with the closest organization in your area that can assist with the situation. The board will discuss this situation and establish guidelines to follow if situations like this occur in the future.

### 5. Conference Members Sick or in Distress / Prayers for others: emailed separately

### 6. Vincentian Schedule: Will be emailed separately

### 7. For the good of the order:

- Mike or Ben at St. Andrews can come to the conference and spray if there is any suspected COVID exposure in the building.
- The Conference is closed on Monday February 15th for President's day. The Thrift Store is open President's Day.

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

Adjourned: 6:30 p.m.

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