

# MINUTES FOR St. ANDREW'S CONFERENCE MEETING

**Date: 02/22/2021**

**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 accept the minutes. Marge seconded. Motion passed.

**Attendance: Total Active Members (27); LOA (6) Present (19) Absent (8) Quorum (14)**

<b>MEMBERS</b>		<b>MEMBERS</b>		<b>MEMBERS</b>		<b>Associate Member</b>	
Al	x	Gloria	A	Michaela	LOA	Maria	A
Ann F.	LOA	Hilary	A	Mike F.	x		
Ann L.	x	Janet	x	Norm	A	<b>Visitors</b>	
Barbara	LOA	Jerry	x	Pauline	x	Ann Lee	x
Bryant	x (LOA)	JoAnn	A	Sandra	A		
Dennis	x	Kathy	x	Scotty	x	<b>Training</b>	
Diane	A	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. Report on Thrift Store Grand Re-Opening
  - Father Greg did a beautiful blessing of the store.
  - Thank you to Mary Ellen, Pauline and Shelly for all the work they did to get the store refurbished and the grand opening advertised.
  - Thank you to Knights of Columbus for attending the grand opening.
  - Even though the weather was very cold the grand opening was very well attended and a success. Customers were waiting at the door prior to the store opening.
2. Status of Grant Applications
  - The final report for the \$10,000 grant we received in April from the Robert J. Wick Family Foundation was submitted by the deadline. It was emailed Friday February 19.
  - Pauline and Scotty are working on the CDBG application asking for paving the parking lot in front of the fenced truck and refrigerated food storage area at the conference. This week they will get with Kathy Calabrese on her offer to review and comment on the application. This project may or may not fit the HUD criteria but SVdP will go ahead with the application. It is important to highlight the number of people we assist every month. Need to include statistics in the application.
  - Pauline is getting another estimate from K E & G for the paving.
  - Bill Goethe owns the building next door to the conference building. He is willing to help with the

estimates and negotiations for the paving.

3. Update on Rosa's Condition
  - Rosa is doing better and continuing to improve.
  - Someone sat with Rosa while Ron helped at the food bank for a few hours.
4. Safeway Debit Cards have been activated.

### **New Business:**

5. Al included the new DES ERAP program link <https://era.azdes.gov/> on the SVdP website. Friends can start applying February 23rd. Get familiar with the application so we can assist our friends with the process.
6. Pauline spoke with Jane Chambers. She is going to volunteer at the food bank on Thursdays. We are still in need of volunteers for Fridays.
7. Pauline was working with a friend and in the process found out about E Premium. It is an insurance program that some apartment complexes use. If the friend is willing to pay a non-refundable premium to cover any damages etc. then it may lower their move in cost. When working with friends who are trying to move into an apartment ask the apartment complexes if they honor E Premium.

### **Upcoming events:**

- Board meets tomorrow, Feb. 23rd, 10:00 a.m., Madonna Hall.

### **Home Visits:**

- Kathy and Mike delivered a food box to a friend, along with a check, to cover one night at the hotel.

### **Special cases:**

- SVdp: \$14,603
- United Way: \$34,372 for rent and \$21,060 for utility. This is left over from \$50,000 of the \$100,000 that is available. All of these funds must be used by September 30, 2021.
- If there is even the slightest COVID connection, to a friend's need, be sure to include it in the friend's file and the special case request.
- If you have a case that is COVID related and is over the established guidelines of \$600 for rent go ahead and submit the case. The board can in some instances approve special cases over the established guidelines.

### **Vincentian Reports on difficult or touching cases:**

- Mary Ellen: Teresa is doing great and is excited to move into an apartment. Her caseworkers are working very hard to get her the apartment but there is a hold up. Please keep her in your prayers.

**Conference Members Sick or in Distress / Prayers for others:** emailed separately

**Vincentian Schedule:** Will be emailed separately

### **For the good of the order:**

- Parish mission tonight at 7:00 p.m. Live streamed and public at St. Andrews.
- There is an app called Nabur hosted by Sierra Vista Herald to connect with your community. For more information use this link: <https://www.myheraldreview.com/nabur/>
- Committee reports are due next week during the Monday March 1st meeting.

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

Adjourned: 6:00 p.m.

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