

MINUTES FOR St. ANDREW'S CONFERENCE MEETING

Date: 06/07/2021

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

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

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

Attendance: Total Active Members (33); LOA (0) Present (21) Absent (11) Excused (1) Quorum (16)

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

*Stan and Father Greg - Not included in Quorum

Unfinished Business:

1. Status of Grants - Pauline

- The paving of the conference parking lot is on hold until the city starts their part of the improvement project. If we wait, the cost of the survey and catchment portion of the project will not be charged to SVdP.

New Business:

1. Upcoming events

- SVDP Communal Mass - Tomorrow, 7 June at 9:00 a.m.
- Birthdays in June: Dottie - June 1 (Happy Belated Birthday, Dottie)
- Pauline: Dr. Israelson with Pueblo Del Sol Dental donated between 50 and 60 boxes of toothpaste each holding 24 tubes of toothpaste and 50 boxes of dental floss. They will be stored at the conference and used in the toiletry bags. We currently have a lot of soap and 80 bottles of detergent at the conference. Some of the toothpaste and floss will be donated to Good Neighbor Alliance.

2. Finance committee report

- The finance committee did a review of the budget at the May 21st meeting.
- The Homeless Fund grant balance is \$34,444
- The Fernandez Fund balance is \$10,498. No funds were spent in April from the Fernandez Fund.
- The Frank Ferracco Fund balance is \$3,400. \$200 per month is allocated from this fund to help our friends.
- Per Anthony with United Way the United Way rent balance is \$74,000 and the utility balance is

\$37,000. These funds must be spent by September 30, 2021.

- The Board voted to raise the United Way Special Case rent allowances from \$700 to \$850 and the utility allowance from \$250 to \$350. The United Way funds must be used for special cases for Sierra Vista residents with a COVID connection.
- SVdP spent \$800 in May for our homeless friends. Additional funds are being pulled from other allocated sources to increase the funds in the homeless fund. The fund will be increased to whatever is needed until the end of the fiscal year. It is okay to go over the allotted amount each month until the end of the fiscal year.
- There will not be an in person Finance Committee meeting in June. Gini will send the report to committee members for comments.

3. Thrift Store committee Report

- The Thrift Store has received some very nice furniture and it sells quickly. They are using Facebook to promote the Thrift Store. It seems to be increasing customers and sales.
- Sales in May were \$43,000.
- The new heaters are installed. Some duct work still needs to be finished. Half the cost of the project was paid prior to work starting. The second half will be paid when the project is finished.
- The next Thrift Store meeting is 8 June 2021.

4. Food Bank committee report

- The Food Bank gave out 643 food boxes in May which was 7,294 pounds of food.
- Friends served 1,986.
- Donations/Income: \$10,463
- Stan is purchasing perishables weekly such as milk, eggs, sour cream, cheese, hotdogs, buns, chicken, and salads to be included in food boxes.
- If you help friends with children let them know, that while school is on break, they can pick up additional boxes of food weekly that will contain snacks and drinks.
- SVdP will be getting food boxes from Nogales. Nogales will deliver them to the conference. We should start receiving the boxes in a couple of weeks.
- SVdP in Bisbee and the Coalition for the Homeless are receiving fresh fruits and vegetables from Nogales. St Andrew SVdP received the fresh fruits and vegetables in the past but are no longer receiving them. We need to find out why we are no longer getting the fresh fruits and vegetables.
- Next Food Bank meeting is 15 June 2021 at 11:30 a.m. at the conference.

5. Special Case Committee Balances:

- SVdP Special Case: \$6,203
- United Way Rent: \$46,674. This is from the second \$50,000 of the \$100,000.
- United Way Utility: \$16,184. This is still from the first portion of the allotted amount.

6. Poor box report: \$211.00

7. Home Visits:

- Larry did three home visits. He also built a ramp for a SVdP friend.
- Norm/Jose: Moved a friend last Saturday.
- Glenn/Jose: Delivered food to two SVdP friends. One of them needs lots of assistance. Jose is going to follow up with them. Remember if you are a KOC and Vincentian and you help a person or family be sure to start a friend file on them at SVdP.
- GNA had a vacancy and Kathy was able to get a female friend into GNA. The friend only speaks Spanish so Jose translated. She is working at La Casita and hoping to get into an apartment. She

moved here because her father lives in town and is ill.

- Martha/Larry: Helped a mother with children get into the Magnuson Hotel using a credit card. The person working the front desk was very friendly and helpful. They did not require a copy of Martha's ID or the credit card.

8. Vincentian Reports on difficult or touching cases:

9. Prayer requests: emailed separately

10. Vincentian Schedule: emailed separately

11. For the good of the order:

- Next Board meeting 30 June 2021 at 09:45 a.m. at Madonna Hall.
- 14 June Conference meeting will be at Madonna Hall.
- 21 June Conference meeting will be a Zoom meeting.
- Some inactive credit cards will not be renewed. Dennis will get a credit card and Hilary's will become inactive.
- Shelly will get a credit card with \$300 per month credit limit. She needs it for gas for the truck. This will eliminate the gas card that Shelly used and Blanca had to keep track of.
- The schedule for the week looks good. Since the days after holidays are busy, we need to consider scheduling an extra case worker on the day after a holiday.
- Pauline is working two special cases. She will be out of town, so if the cases get approved she may ask a fellow Vincentian to deliver the checks.
- Mary Ellen was bequeathed \$150 on behalf of her mother-in-law. She bought six two-person tents. Two have been placed with the backpacks and she will replenish as they are given out.
- Ann F. had knee surgery and is doing great. Please keep her in your prayers.

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

Adjourned: 6:10 p.m.

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