

MINUTES FOR St. ANDREW'S CONFERENCE MEETING

Date: 07/12/2021

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

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

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

Attendance: Total Active Members (33); LOA (0) Present (18) Absent (14) Excused (1) Quorum (16)

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

*Stan and Father Greg - Not included in Quorum

Unfinished Business:

1. Status of Grants

- SVdP is receiving another \$5,000 grant from Legacy foundation. The funds expire September 31, 2021. We need to verify that the funds can be used for non-COVID cases. The funds can be used for any of our friends. They do not have to be Sierra Vista residents. The funds can be used for rent or utilities. Scotty will provide a report to Legacy when the funds are depleted.
- Please remember to indicate on the check stub and special case log which fund was used to help a friend.
- Douglas SVdP received \$8,000 from AZ Complete Health. There is confusion as to whether or not those funds should have come to St. Andrews SVdP as we still have not received the grant funds we were approved to receive. Pauline is checking with AZ Complete Health.

New Business:

1. Upcoming events

- SVDP Communal Mass - July 13th (tomorrow), 9:00 a.m.
- Birthdays in July: Glen - July 31st.

2. Homeless Fund

- In June there were several instances where the Homeless fund was used for extended stays in hotels. The current policy is friends must use GNA if they have space available for them. If GNA does not have space then we can provide them up to two nights in a hotel. If a friend needs an extended stay in a hotel write up a special case. Call two of the special case committee members and get their vote over the phone. If they don't agree, call the third special case committee person for their vote. If approved use special case funds to cover the extended stay at the hotel.
- UW funds can't be used for hotel stays. Use SVdP special case funds or Legacy funds.

- Al sent an email with suggestions for establishing a hotel fund. Pauline will discuss Al's suggestions with Gini.
 - If you have a COVID case with children involved, in lieu of using the Fernandez Funds, write up your special case, for up to \$1,000 for rent, to be funded with UW Special Case funds or SVdP Special Case funds. UW funds expire September 31, 2021.
 - Scotty attended a webinar last week "Maximizing Federal Assistance to Fight Poverty". There will be a flyer at the conference with website information.
3. Finance committee report: No report
4. Thrift Store Committee Report
- The new flooring at the Thrift Store ballooned up on July 6th because it was not installed properly. Pauline contacted Steve with Tile Master Works. He was able to quickly repair the floor. Pauline will request an invoice from Steve for the work.
 - Sales in June were \$42,000.
 - Shoppers are parking in the field adjacent to the Thrift Store. Signs have been ordered stating "This is not SVdP property."
 - The second cash register has been ordered and should arrive soon.
 - Shelly invited Teresa Bly to be a volunteer at the Thrift Store. Yesterday was her first day and she was very excited and did an awesome job.
5. Food Bank committee report
- Total pounds given in June 26,000.
 - Total food boxes given to friends 657.
 - Total friends served 2039.
 - The board approved the purchase a new chest freezer and a new refrigerator to replace the last old one. The old refrigerator will be sold.
 - Thanks to Dennis for checking the roof leak and mending it. Westover roofing did a follow up check on the roof.
 - SVdP received the 3rd quarter Safeway cards.
6. Special Case Committee:
- UW Special Case Rent: \$26,422
 - UW Special Case Utility: \$15,500
 - SVdP Special Case: **-\$1,681**. We are in the red because we did not add the \$13,000 allocated for April and May to the balance. In June we only added \$10,000 of Junes \$13,000 allocated funds. Also, we have not added the \$13,000 allocated for July.
 - Thank you to Janet for covering for Yolie on the Special Case committee.
7. Poor box report: \$808.07
8. Home Visits: None
9. Vincentian Reports on difficult or touching cases:
- A friend Lisa came to the conference twice last week wanting a bus ticket. She did not have anyone to take her to Benson. She also did not have anyone meeting her at the end point of the trip. She was told no on the bus ticket. She became very angry and was confrontational with the Vincentians working at the conference. Ann L. called Community Partners to see if they could help. They could not provide any assistance because Lisa was not a client of Community Partners. Community Partners gave Ann a number to call but no one answered. Because Lisa continued to

be confrontational the police were called. They issued her a "No Trespass order." She is not allowed at the conference for one year. If she comes to the conference call the police. If she needs food she can send someone to the conference to collect the for her. This information is annotated in her file. She also has a No Trespass order at the Thrift Store.

10. Prayer requests: emailed separately

11. Vincentian Schedule: emailed separately

12. For the good of the order:

- Last weeks bulletin mentioned a website formed.org for spiritual growth. Pauline signed up on formed.org. It provides a lot spiritual growth information. Go to formed.org. Type in zip code 85635, Enter email for free content. Also there is an APP.
- No one has seen our friend Susan Sullivan for a while. The police did a wellness check but could not locate her. She may have moved to Benson.

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

Adjourned: 6:10 p.m.

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