

MINUTES FOR St. ANDREW'S CONFERENCE MEETING

Date: 08/30/2021

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?

Father Greg Installed Pauline as President.

Father Greg Inducted Ann Faust and Pat Gorecki as new members.

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. Toni seconded. Motion passed.

Attendance: Total Active Members (35); LOA (0) Present (28) Absent (6) Excused (1) Quorum (17)

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

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

Unfinished Business:

1. Status of Grant Applications:

- Scotty applied for the Friends of the Poor grant through the National Council. Maury forwarded the grant application to National.

2. SVdP Table for Parish Picnic:

- Parish Picnic is Sunday September 12th, 2021. Pauline has a sign up sheet. If you are able, please sign up to work the SVdP table between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 11:45 a.m. on Sunday September 12th.

3. Ozanam Training:

- Ozanam Training is Saturday September 25, 2021 at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Bisbee. Pat, Ann Faust and Marianne are attending.
- Ozanam Training is offered every quarter. If you have not attended, please plan to attend one of the upcoming sessions.
- Martha received a list of St. Andrews SVdP members from Maury. It is incomplete with some member's names missing from the list and other incorrect information such as who has and has not attended Ozanam training. She will follow up with Maury.

New Business:

1. The Board voted to keep the Special Case Committee. This expedites help to our friends and also keeps meetings shorter. Ann L., Jerry and Yolanda will continue to serve on the Special Case Committee.
2. The Board members will continue as is with the exception that Martha Gaun will become a Member at Large and Larry Powers will be added as Food Bank Committee Chairman.
3. There is no meeting on Labor Day, Monday, September 6, 2021. The next meeting will be the Business Meeting on Monday, September 13th. Committee Reports will be given at that meeting.
4. At the start of the fiscal year, October 1, 2021, there will be a lot of changes to our current procedures. Gini will explain all the changes at one of the September Monday night Conference meetings.
5. **Backpacks from First Presbyterian Church:**
 - Joann is in charge of the backpacks that we get from First Presbyterian Church. The backpacks are provided with supplies and are only to be used for the homeless or friends who "couch surf". Do not remove articles from the backpacks.
 - First Presbyterian Church offered crocheted plastic sleeping mats to Marianne. They are similar to the ones Bryant was crocheting. She will follow up with First Presbyterian as to how many they will provide to us for our homeless friends.
 - Karen Harper has new T-shirts and underwear that she is providing for the backpacks.
6. Upcoming events:
 - September Birthdays
 1. Yolanda Sept 5th
 2. Marianne Sept 5th
 3. Martha Sept 8th
 4. Ann F Sept 10th
 5. Pauline Sept 11th
 6. Father Greg Sept 14th
 7. Diane Sept 24th
 8. George Sept 26th
 9. Gini Sept 29th
7. Home Visits: None
8. Special cases: Amount available
 - United Way Rent: A special case was submitted today. If it is approved it will leave a balance of \$135.
 - United Way Utility: \$13,531. We still need to subtract the U.W. utility funds, that have been used, that did not need Special Case approval. United Way Utility funds can be used for rent but you must submit a special case.
 - SVdP Special Case: **-\$2,278**. Jerry will talk with Gini about another infusion of funds.
 - Legacy Grant: \$39.42
9. Vincentian Reports on difficult or touching cases:
 - Pauline: Met with a friend who is a convicted felon. He violated his parole so he will be in jail for a week. He works at Dollar Tree but will be out of work for that week. He has a 5 month old baby and he needed rental assistance. A special case was submitted for rent. She also provided him

information about CrossroadsAcademy. He is interested in getting his GED.

- Pauline: Stan reported that Brian T. was sleeping on the sidewalk in front of the conference.
- Kathy: Friend Robin came in to thank Mary Ellen and Mary for helping her with a car battery.
- Pauline: Received a note from a friend thanking Pauline for past help and to let her know that the apartment complex raised their rent from \$990 to over \$1,500. They can't afford it and will have to move out of their apartment.
- Pat: A friend came in last week to thank SVdP for the utility assistance she received.

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

11. Vincentian Schedule: Will be emailed separately

12. For the good of the order:

- Martha: Thank you all for allowing me the honor of holding the title of President for almost a year. It's time for Pauline to assume the title as she has done all the work of the President during this time. I want to thank the Board for all their hard work and guidance during the year. We are truly blessed as a Conference to have Fr. Greg and our Parish members who offer such huge support. We are also blessed with a great Food Bank Director, Office Administrator, and Store Manager! And Great members! George and I plan to remain as active as we can in the Conference. God bless you all!
- Ann L. is the new Vice-President.
- Larry Powers is the new Food Bank Committee Chair.
- Gini: The Finance Committee is losing a couple of members. Let Gini know if you want to be on the Finance Committee.
- Blanca will update the Members List and Committee Members List and send them to everyone by email.

Closing Prayer: Fr. Greg () Pauline () Other ()

Adjourned: 5:45 p.m.

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