

MINUTES FOR ST. ANDREW'S CONFERENCE MEETING

Date: 12/6/2021

Call to Order/Opening Prayer: Father Greg () Pauline (x) Other () Time: 5:00 p.m.

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

Who are you? Starting January

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

Attendance: Total Active Members (35); LOA () Present (23) Absent (11) Excused (1) Quorum (17)

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

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

Old Business:

1. Vincentian Fellowship Meeting:

- The SVdP fellowship dinner is Monday, December 13th, from 5:00 - 6:15 p.m. in Kino Hall. If you are able, please arrive a little early to help with setup. Let Mary Ellen or Pauline know if you will be attending so they can get a head count.
- There is a sign up sheet at the conference. Please list what hor d'oeuvres you will be bringing to the fellowship dinner. If you prefer you can bring a sweet. A cake will be provided.
- A group photo will be taken prior to eating.
- The St Andrews Penance Service is the same night but does not end until 8:00 p.m.. You will have time to attend the fellowship dinner and penance service as the dinner will end by 6:30 p.m.

2. SVdP Fund Raiser:

- The SVdP fund raiser raffle is projected for January.
- Jose presented a beautiful red Rosary, that he made. It will be one of the items included in the raffle.
- Jose and Ilona have been working together to organize the raffle and items for the raffle.
- Gloria has two large rolls of raffle tickets that will be used.. The raffle tickets will be sold after Masses in the vestibule of the church.
- There will be two to three items, the large art piece, Jose showed last week, and a "Prayer Basket". If you have items at home, you'd like to donate to the Prayer Basket, give them to Pauline. If Gloria wants to add a painting we will add that to the basket or have it separate.

New Business:

3. Committee Reports

A: **Food Bank Report:** No report.

B. Finance Report:

- Donations for October were higher than expected along with a \$20,000 reimbursement from United Way. The Store

made \$42,000 in October. Aid to Friends was under budget. Overall we finished the month better than expected and in the black.

- The month of November is not closed yet but with the donation from the Chouinard Foundation and private donations it should be a good month.

C. Thrift Store Report:

- The store had \$45,000 in sales in November. As of Friday, December 3rd, the store has had \$7,000 in sales.
- The Center for Academic Success (CAS) is sending 35 children along with 5 adults to the Thrift Store on December 13th at 9:00 a.m. to shop for their families. Each child will receive a \$20.00 voucher to shop for their families for Christmas. If any Vincentians would like to help the children shop contact Shelly.
- Mary Ellen is cooking an Italian appreciation dinner on December 12th for the store employees and volunteers.

4. Blanca's New Hours:

- For Blanca's safety, and so she is leaving work before dark, Pauline changed Blanca's hours. Blanca's new hours are 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Pauline will also look at changing Sylvia's hours for safety reasons.

5. Epiphany Party

- Each January we have an Epiphany Potluck party. This year it will be January 10th, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. in Kino Hall. Everyone is asked to bring a dish to share. Let Pauline know if you have any ideas for decorating for the Epiphany Party. If possible arrive early and help with setup.
- In February the next committee will plan the fellowship dinner for the conference.

6. Thanks to all Vincentians

- Thank you for your dedication and hard work over the last year in helping our friends in need. Assisting our needy friends is one of the most rewarding and difficult jobs in Sierra Vista.
- Love Inc. found out quickly, after we referred many of our friends to them, that the need in Sierra Vista is great. They were overwhelmed and asked us to stop referring friends for now.
- There is an article in the Sierra Vista Herald about Cochise Housing Connection. They will have 10 low income apartments in Bisbee.

7. Home Visits: Frank from the food bank delivered a food box.

8. Special Case Funds:

- Legacy Utility Fund \$0.
- Legacy Rent Fund \$0.
- SVdP Special Case Fund is at \$4,873 but there are several cases pending which will reduce it to around \$3,200.
- The Chouinard Foundation Funds have not been allocated. They will be discussed at the Board Meeting.

9. Vincentian Reports on difficult or touching cases: None

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:

- Poor Box November: \$675.82
- Wednesday December 8th is a Holy Day of Obligation. Check the bulletin for Mass times.
- The SVdP Mass is the second Tuesday of every month at 9:00 a.m.
- **Jerry and Estela are unable to work Tuesday December 14th. Let Al know if you can help cover the 14th.**
- December Birthdays: Norm 12/16, Stan 12/15, Shelly 12/4, Gloria 12/27, Toni Mott 12/5
 - Thrift Store Meeting: December 14th at 1:00 p.m.
 - Board Meeting: December 7th at 10:00 a.m.
 - Food Bank Meeting: December 14th at 11:30 a.m.
 - Finance Meeting: December 17th at 10:00 a.m.

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

Adjourned: 5:40 p.m.

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