

# MINUTES FOR ST. ANDREW'S CONFERENCE BUSINESS MEETING

Date: 7/11/22

**Call to Order/Opening Prayer:** Father Greg ( ) Pauline (X) Other ( ) Time: 5:04 pm

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:** ( ) Read/Approved; Approved with Changes

Motion by:                      Seconded by:

**Attendance: Total Active Members (34) LOA ( ) Present (20) Absent (14) Excused ( ) Quorum (17)**

<b>MEMBERS</b>		<b>MEMBERS</b>		<b>MEMBERS</b>		<b>Associate Member</b>	
Al	A	Janet	A	Pat	X	Maria	
Ann Faust.	X	Jerry	A	Pauline	X	Barbara S	
Ann L	X	JoAnn	A	Sandra	A	Ann Fellrath	
Dennis	A	Jose	X	Scotty	X	Michaela	
Diane	A	Kathy	X	Toni	X		
Dotti	X	Larry	X	Yolanda	A	<b>Visitors</b>	
Estela	X	Margaret	X			Chuck	X
Francisca	A	Marianne	A				
George	X	Marge	X			<b>Training</b>	
Gini	A	Martha G.	X			Tillie Munoz	
Glenn	A	Mary Ellen	X				
Gloria	X	Mary	X	Father Greg *	A		
Hilary	A	Michael C	X	Stan *	A		
Ilona	X	Norm	A				

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

## **Old Business:**

With Scotty's help, we applied for two (2) grants from the Legacy Foundation. We were awarded (1) one to be used to provide utilities assistance for our friends. A separate folder and log sheet will be placed along with the other fund folders in the back office. Caseworkers may use up to \$125 per household toward utility bills. These funds can be used in conjunction with other funds. Please fill out the Legacy file's log sheet and note the amount used on the log sheet and on the check blank when these funds are used.

There are two (2) other grants for which we will be applying in the next couple months.

Pauline modeled one of the rain coats for the homeless. They have arrived and are stored in the back near toiletries. There are also tents available.

The Thrift Store contractor, TRK, has sent the quotes to Kaiser, the adjuster. The turn-around time from the adjuster, to the insurance, should be 2 weeks, or in some cases, earlier. Let's pray for earlier. Any additional work can be discussed later.

The new set up for the front area seems to be working well, with the exception of people quickly reverting to the old way of sitting back down in the waiting room. Gently remind them that they need to go to the outside door.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Shelly reminded about Don-8-It will continuing to accept vouchers for furniture and clothing.

Shelly's staff will now be working Mon, Weds and Fridays.

The store will start accepting donations again on Friday between 9:00-12:00.

The Food Bank's conex compressor is not working, so it is available for use for the Thrift Store, along with a POD for additional storage.

Christmas In July will **be July 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9:00-12:00.**

2. Stan and Pauline spoke with Jim w/Headstart from Easter Seals Blake Foundation, regarding borrowing one of our tables to set up out in front of the building across the street. They have a Head Start Program for children under 3 years old that are in need of their services. One of their programs includes an in home help vs on site help.
3. Pauline received a beautiful card, regarding Faith, with a check from our State Representative, Gail Griffin. She had \$5,000 left over from her campaign funds that she donated to SVdP
4. Stan, our Food Bank director for 19 years, had some wonderful news. Grant money is one of the many areas that he works with. EFS (Emergency Food and Shelter Program) formerly FEMA, from Homeland Security. This year we received two (2) grants.  
  
Grant #1 is Phase 39, in the amount of \$9,245.00, given in two installments, the first installment of \$4,622.00. Paperwork has been placed to receive the second installment.  
  
Grant #2 comes from the American Relief. Cochise County received \$144,000.00. From that our SVdP Food Bank will receive \$28,000.00 from that amount. On Thursday, 7/14/22, the amount of \$14,000 will be received. Some of that money will be earmarked for Thanksgiving.  
  
The compressor needed for the conex is coming from Shanghai China. Danny,, the "refrigeration guy" is working on the delivery details.  
  
Today the Food Bank had apx 45 requests for food boxes.
5. **HUD-VASH- Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing Program.** Maybe the Community Partners can come talk to us regarding this program and Rapid Housing. They have been placing at their 3 people at Blue Horizon for \$500/month, and she comes to pick up their food boxes.
6. Encourage our Friends that are very stressed, due to their immediate situation, to check with Community Partners. Situational Anxiety can spiral and they need not be embarrassed, or think that they have a mental problem, to reach out to them.
7. **When Friends come in requesting help with utilities, don't be afraid to ask some questions.**

First, have they received a disconnect notice? Second, can they put something, anything, into that bill? Third, see if they have a deposit that can be transferred to help pay down the bill. Fourth, have they signed up for the payment program? Fifth, when will they be able to make a payment? Maybe only cover the daily up to that date. Encourage our Friends to join the Pre-Pay account because there is not a huge fee to turn it back on and that goes towards a credit on their account.

Gini said that we can go over, on occasion, if we are out of funds for that day.

8. **Forerunners Outreach** has men's and children's clothing.  
Open Tue-Sat 11:00-2:00  
Ask for Evangelist Helyn.  
They are located at 833 Fry Blvd. (next to Wicked Limitz)  
Information will be at the Conference.

1. **Upcoming events:**

- Food Bank Committee meeting will be Thurs 7/14/22 @11:00
- Christmas In July will be July 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9:00-12:00.

2. **Home Visits:**

- Marge and Steve had breakfast with Brian Tibideua. He seems bright and clear.

3. **Vincentian Reports on difficult or touching cases:**

- Ann Lund had a special case where there was a water leak and her bill was very high. Liberty Water will take a 1/3 and take payments.
- Marge and Stan called for an ambulance for a man with 3<sup>rd</sup> degree burns and seemed unable to say how he got his injuries.

4. **Prayer requests:** emailed separately

- Deacon Mike is in the hospital.
- Glenn's brother has passed, prayers for Glenn, Diane and their family.

5. **Vincentian Schedule:** emailed separately

6. **For the good of the order:**

*July 31<sup>st</sup> is Glenn McDaniel's birthday*

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

Adjourned: 6:05 pm

Recorder: **Toni** (Secretary)  Other - ( )