

MINUTES FOR ST. ANDREW'S CONFERENCE MEETING

Date: 6/19/2023

Call to Order/Opening Prayer: Father Greg **Time:** 5:01 P.M.

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

Motion by: Ann Lund; Seconded by: Marge

Attendance: Total Active Members (36); LOA (5); Present (17); Absent (14); Quorum (17)

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

*Stan and Father Greg - Not included in Quorum

Colleen was inducted as a Vincentian by Father Greg. Congratulations and Welcome.

Upcoming Events:

1. Cochise Countywide Food Drive: 18-25 June has started. Stan and Larry delivered shopping carts and the huge gaylords to the collection center.
2. Fellowship on 10 July 2023: To be determined at a later meeting. Father Greg suggested that we invite Rose Grimsley and Tonianne Goebel to the next pot luck meeting.
3. Father Greg suggested that the SVDP Conference send Father Samuel a card congratulating him on becoming a Naturalized Citizen.

Old Business:

1. Check signers: Pauline will make an appointment at the bank for those who need to be added for signatures and will let each person know.
2. Corpus Christi Celebration was wonderful. It was a beautiful Sunday.
3. Ozanam Training: The training in Douglas was wonderful. The speaker made a statement about when a Friend comes to see us: instead of saying how can we help you; we may want to ask – What has happened that has brought you here today?
4. The fellowship for Shelly was great. Vincentians and Thrift Store personnel celebrated Shelly's life and enjoyed the gathering.

5. Once again, there was discussion on how often and how much help we provide a Friend with rent. For rent, do we help a single person, once a year and a family, twice a year? Do we abide by the \$1,000 limit for the year for rent and utilities? If a person has a "healthy" monthly income, do we question why they need help; do we recommend financial planning; who provides financial planning? Pauline will send out the guideline again. A written amendment will be added to the recent guidelines stating that households with a single adult or all adults are eligible for help with RENT once a year and families with children are eligible for help with RENT every 6 months.

New Business:

1. From all of us, her Vincentian family, Margie and Pauline, presented Blanca with a beautiful rose bush with fragrant roses in memory of her mother-in-law. Blanca loved it and was very touched.
2. Pauline asked that when paying rent/utilities/other help for a Friend, that we **annotate and highlight the file with the amount, check number, and fund used.**
3. Please discern when helping a friend; we are flying through the funds. Good Shepherd has a \$0 balance and Special Case funding is at \$1600.

Other Items:

1. Vincentian Reports on difficult or touching cases. Both Pauline and Mary Ellen had cases that dealt with rent issues.
2. Home Visits: None. Ann Lee (OLM) did 3 home visits last week.
3. Special Cases: Amount available – how are we keeping tabs since we are using it at the conference.
4. Conference Members sick or in Distress/Prayers for others: For Margaret and Dotti's son.
5. Monthly Reports: Due July
Finance Report:
Food Bank Report:
Store Report:
Poor Box Report:

Spiritual Reading: No Spiritual Reading this week.

For the Good of the Order:

Mass for Shelly, 20 June 2023 at 9:00 A.M.

Vincentian Schedule: Will be emailed separately.

Committee Meetings:

- Food Bank Meeting: ___ June 2023
- Finance Meeting: _____ 2023
- Thrift Store: ___ June 2023
- Board Meeting: 27 June 2023

Closing Prayer: Father Greg

Adjourned: 5:50 P.M.

Recorder: Pat

Happy Belated Birthday Dotti, 10 June