

# St Vincent DePaul Meeting Minutes

## St Boniface Conference

Meeting Date: 07/27/2017

### Attendees:

Amber Mingo		Kathy Boh	X		
Barb Luken	X	Rich Kelly	X		
Casey Scullin	X	Sue Crosby	X		
Chuck Menke	X	Marie Michel	X		
David Crosby	X				
Gail Kelly	X				
Jim Kuhn	X				
Karen Cable					

### CALL TO ORDER

- Brief prayer followed by a short reading
- Reading related two different miracles – miracles associated with the rosary occurred
  - House of Jesuits survived the bombing and lead health lives thereafter
  - A Franciscan house in Nagasaki survived the bombing
  - Both Houses prayed they rosary on a regular basis – though we do ordinary work, God can and will intervene

### SECRETARY REPORT – Casey Scullin

- Minutes from the 5/25/2017 meeting approved
- Database update – making progress, but still have others to add
- Donation thank you notes were sent for in kind donations and checks received outside the fifth Sunday collection – Barb is sending notes on behalf of the conference
- Quarterly report still requires some revision before finalization – due by end of July

### TREASURER'S REPORT – Chuck Menke

- Reviewed the July report and discussed transactions and expenditures
- An audit conducted by the Bank surfaced a discrepancy of \$0.04
- Investment: the checking account shows a reduction of \$5000.00 due to investment, but quarterly report will need to account for the value of the investment
- Have to begin to track in kind donations so more accurate data can be provided; the numbers can be estimates as opposed to exact numbers – Barb will manage this

### SPIRITUAL FORMATION – Kathy Boh

- What is a Vincentian vocation? Did a reading on Frederick Ozanam
- We came to SVDP to serve and meet need – as many Saints did – to come to God and do his work
- "Put on the Lord Jesus Christ" succinctly sums up the Vincentian work/vocation
- F Ozanam – brief history and background of the man who began the SVDP; after a dark night of the soul, he promised God to dedicate himself to a life of service
- In response to the anti-Christian sentiment in post-revolutionary France, Ozanam and companions organized their work in service of the poor

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### SvDP relationship with CAIN - Barb and Kathy

- Any update from Steve Crowe regarding the visit to CAIN – no feedback to date
- Mimi Chamberlain and Cathy Graham were there
- Good meeting – no final decision was made regarding our current relationship with CAIN
- Steve Crowe seemed to believe money given to CAIN may be better spent at St Boniface, but St B does not have the staff to manage the related overhead of working through SVDP
- CAIN could get by without or donation, but it means we would need to absorb the work CAIN currently does
- Majority believes we should continue our relationship with CAIN as it is today
- Kathy cited the ecumenism language contained in the rule book as grounds to sanction our work with CAIN

### Checkbook signers – Barb

- Casey and Barb agree to be checkbook signers
- Need to get some paperwork completed in order to get on the bank card
- Barb's paperwork is ready; Casey's paperwork not completed
- Jim is already on the bank card
- Jenni and Father Joe will remain on the bank card; Barb and Casey will be added

### Fan and AC program – Barb

- Air conditioners are gone, but fans remain

### National Member Database – Casey

- See note in Secretary's update

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### Home visits – Barb

- No home visits to date in July
- 2 visits in the offing – visits will happen in August, but bed requests must wait until September

### Council Summer Meeting – Barb/Kathy

- Attended on 6/29 – combined social event and learning experience
- Learned about the VOP bill for the state of Ohio – this is the bill dealing with pay day lending places

### Pantry, Van, 2017 Intake form, Freestore Meeting on 8/31 – Barb/Sue

- PANTRY: The Thursday group received an "atta boy and girl" for the work they do picking up food and loading off into the pantry
- VAN: only staff members can drive – Jim and his brother Mike are able to drive the van. Mike acts as an employee when he is driving
- 2017 INTAKE FORM: new form started in July – new forms need to kept for five years

### VIRTUS – Barb

- Additional people will be trained in August
- St Boniface will provide a token that absorbs the cost of the background check

Fifth Sunday – Coming up end of July – Barb

- Notice will be in bulletin about using SVDP envelopes for fifth Sunday

Upcoming 2017 SVDP workshops and events – Barb

- When SVDP holds a meeting, they make an effort to make them valuable – Barb encourages people to attend some of them
- Ozanam training here on November 11 – how to staff the pantry on this day – set up will be the night before

School drive supplies – Barb

- Announcement will be placed in the bulletin for school supplies
- Members are also supportive

Prayer Bucket – Barb

- A bucket will be placed in the pantry for people to submit prayer requests

August 19 – Moore's Furniture is giving away beds for children; Barb submitted names for consideration

Voucher review – Barb

- Reviewed rules for giving vouchers
- Also reviewed how the cost and purchasing work – in some cases, people end up having to pay a portion of the cost due to stated max value on the voucher
- Barb tracks the distribution of vouchers to ensure compliance with established limits

NEXT MEETING ON August 28, 2017 at 7:00PM

**CLOSING PRAYER – Kathy Boh**

- Recited a prayer of St Vincent – theme of love for God and neighbor