MEETING OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY-MINUTES

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2016

DELANEY HALL, ST. ANN’S

While president Mike is away, John Traina is acting president. John called the meeting to order. Deacon Jack led the opening prayer. Minutes from the last meeting were approved, with one correction, Dan DeLuzio and Vincent Bertone were with Deacon Jack and John Traina on the visit to the Pyle Center.

Treasurer’s report: Beginning balance of 7907.09. Total disbursements were 1,361.36, including 761.36 for food and 600.00 for electricity. Donations included 507.00 from members and administration donations were 132.00. Ending balance is 7184.73.

Mike, Lenore, Ronnie and Carol are taking food from St. Ann’s to OLG every third month and making an inventory of the food. It was suggested that an alphabetical inventory would be more practical. Mary Ellen said she would adjust the form. Ron Forgnoni will not be with us from now on. We need a volunteer to do his job of helping Lenore do the shopping.

Ronnie Malone gave a report on the spiritual formation that she was asked to investigate. She found two Vincentian priests from NY. Father Patrick Griffin, CM and Father Michael Whalen, CM, would help us with spiritual formation. Ronnie said the priests could do a day retreat or longer, for us or the parish or both. The two priests can talk about Vincentian history and spirituality. She also mentioned that the priests would need a place to stay (Fr. Klevence offered the rectory) and wouldn’t they need a stipend too. We are looking at maybe September or October and it would be nice to tie it to the Year of Mercy.

The last two weeks of activities-Rosemary gave a report of a couple that needs to have their trailer moved. She is having trouble getting in touch with them because they don’t answer their phone. The general consensus was that we cannot help them because it is hard to contact them and because moving a trailer is expensive and requires expertise. A home visit was suggested to determine their status.

 Five families were served and five bags of groceries were distributed by team 5. Team 6 had 8 contacts and 24 bags of food. We need a simplified record of meeting with clients , financial help, and bags of groceries given.

Since Mike is out of commission right now. Eileen and Vince will sign checks. If you cannot reach one of them-use your own check and you will be reimbursed.

 We need to brain storm on fund raising ideas. We should ask different restaurants what percentage they will give us if we patronize their establishments.

 We also need to know how many active members we have on each team, some teams are down to only 4 members. Team captains should know who is on their list and who is still active.

Next meeting is March 7, at 9:30 am, in the Masterson center, in the Ed’s music room that used to be the library. The March 28 meeting is at 7 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Boyd