Saint Ann Conference, Saint Vincent de Paul

Meeting Minutes

Date September 14, 2021

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| Next meeting: |  | Tuesday, September 28 at 3:30 PM in parking lot Tuesday, October 12 at 9:30 AM in Delaney Hall |

1. **Call to Order; Opening Prayer**

President Tish Galu convened the meeting at 3:30 PM.

1. **Welcome to Newcomers**
   1. Welcome to newcomers and all attendees, as we re-convene our face-to-face meetings
   2. Introduction of officers

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1. **Election of President**
   1. Tish is close to serving out her term as president. She has been asked to move into Frank Walder’s position on the Wilmington Council, since Frank is unable to serve, due to reasons of health.
   2. Conference president is an elected position. The options are to either elect a new president, or to re-lect Tish to a second and final term.
   3. Tish proposed that she serve a second, truncated term, during which she will transition the position of president to Carol Curran.
   4. The membership present at the meeting cast ballots for the position of president. Tish’s proposal passed by a majority vote.
2. **Approval of Minutes and Membership Update**
   1. The members present approved the minutes of the last meeting by a voice vote.
3. **Treasurer’s Report**

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|  | Starting balance | Revenue | Expenses | Ending balance |
| July | 36,900 | 7,000 | 19,300 | 24,600 |
| August | 24,600 | 11,600 | 14,700 | 21,500 |

* 1. It was agreed that the conference would contribute $500 to the SSVdP National disaster relief fund

1. **Update to Team Leader positions** 
   1. **Neighbor Contact**

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| **Team** | **CoLeads** |
| 1 | John Gossart |
|  | Julie Riffel |
| 2 | Fran Kardos |
|  | Wendy Schilling |
| 3 | Tom Fallon |
|  | Alice Donnelly |
| 4 | Liz Salonick |
|  | Jean King |

* 1. **Food Pantry**

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| **Team** | **CoLeads** |
| 1 | Mike Galu |
|  | Steve Haynes |
| 2 | Tim Weschler |
|  | Peter Preston |
| 3 | Betsy Collins |
|  | Mike McGowan |
| 4 | Jim Lutrzykowski |
|  | Joe Stiller |

1. **Ozanam Training**
   1. Ozanam training is mandatory for all conference members. One team (NCT and FP) will be scheduled for training each month; all sessions at 1:00 PM.
      1. Team 4 9/22/2021 (includes guests from other conferences)
      2. Team 3 10/20/2021
      3. Team 2 11/17/2021
      4. Team 1 1/19/2022
      5. Makeup 2/2/2022
2. **Spiritual Formation** 
   1. Dan DiLuzio gave a short presentation on St. Alphonsus Rodriguez. Takeaway: St. Aphonsus’s approach to acting as a doorkeeper was sacramental – he answered each knock expecting to encounter God on the other side of the door. Vincentians are likewise encouraged to treat each meeting with a neighbor as a potential encounter with Christ.

1. **Extended Care Team**
   1. Darlene reported on the following neighbors:
      1. Anthony has found a new living space
      2. Cathy is still encountering issues which we are assisting with
      3. Ruth Ann has cleaned out some furniture items, but needs help with disposal
2. **President’s Remarks**
3. We will celebrate the memorial of St. Vincent de Paul at morning mass on 9/27
4. There will be a leader’s meeting on 11/17 at 3:00 PM
5. A Visiting Vincentians ministry is being formed; more news as plans evolve
6. **Fund Raising**
   1. There will be an organizational meeting for the Corn Hole fundraiser on 9/27 at 11:00 AM
   2. We are planning a wreath fund raiser for the end of November; we will be using vine wreaths, instead of the notorious evergreen wreaths
   3. Giving Tree signups will begin in October
7. **Allied Activities**
   1. The USO project is running through the end of September; see Rosemary Wlaschin for details.
   2. The CROP walk is being held at OLG on October 17
   3. SDEF needs help with a fund raiser for their education fund; volunteers are needed for the weekend of 10/23-24, after eqach mass. See Jackie Boyd for information.
   4. Mariners Bethel will be working in conjunction with the Frankford Fire Department’s Tuesday afternoon soup and sandwich program. Drivers are needed for delivering food in the afternoon.
8. **Next Meeting Dates**

See above.

1. **Closing Prayer; Adjournment**