

TRINITY SOCIAL MINISTRY TEAM MINUTES 8/15/2017

Present: Mitzi Jones (facilitator), Linda Drye (scribe/recorder), Cheryl Akers, Lynn Bertram, Kristen Campbell, Karen Wright, Kathy Gottlieb, Brad Hollinger, Jeff Weaver, Kim Hoover

Meeting opened @ 7 pm in Room 239.

Excused absences: Maggie Ackerman, Joe Hunter and Lorraine Graybill.

Devotions: Mitzi offered prayer.

Minutes approved: Approval of last meetings' minutes (5/16/2017)— Kathy Gottlieb and seconded by Karen Wright. **Motion carried.**

Communications: Correspondence folder passed around.

New Business:

Highlight Schedule: August 2017--General announcement on bulletin of Fair in September (Mitzi); September Christ Lutheran article 8/10 and bulletin board; Oct 2017 Domestic Violence Linda Drye ; November Maggie Ackerman Pink Hands of Hope.

Pastor Jenn's workshop on Mission at Hunters home (July) was recapped from Mitzi. Theme "When was the last time you experienced a sense of Mission".

Social Ministry Fair: 9/10/2017 6 p.m. combined with Synod God's Work Our Hands.

WOT 9/6/2017 dessert meeting –restructuring and joining our ministry. **Cheryl Akers** volunteered to give Mission Moment talk announcing fair.

Mitzi is still trying to recruit someone to run **God's Work, Our Hands** projects and also a person to coordinate service projects and volunteers. Discussion ensued about adding just one volunteer opportunity to the E blast that goes out on Thursdays. Also discussed adding volunteer opportunities to the bulletin board monthly of each ministry as needed or announcements of upcoming opportunities to participate in their activities.

Expense Report: Motion made to defer until October meeting due to budget decisions. Unanimous consensus to defer to October.

Old Business: **Giving Tree** in July discussed. New Schedules given out. Brad brought up idea to get giving done earlier due to several ministries needing gifts and monies early in December. Perhaps combined early with Thanksgiving giving. Mitzi will talk to Donna Sprowls about this. Also reeducating congregation on the need of this distribution earlier.

Ministry Updates: Comments from coordinators:

- **Bethesda Mission:** Mary Ann Landis not in attendance. She is still cooking for the women at Bethesda shelter.

- **Allison Hill Medical Clinic:** (New) Margy Fox not in attendance. Kim Hoover spoke about their upcoming meeting 8/22/2017 with pastor; Wish List will be forthcoming. She also mentioned they received close to #100 items on July Christmas Tree.

CACCC: Dissolved. On hold.

Camp Curtain Y: Cheryl Akers reports they had a First Night Street Fair 8/1 and everyone had fun and received school supplies and new undies and socks. They have a Diabetes Awareness educational program going on.

Christ Lutheran Medical: Now combined with Allison Hill Medical.

- **CCU:** Joe Hunter not in attendance.
- **Criminal Justice Ministry:** Jeff Weaver and Kristen both present. Kristen reports received \$500 worth of gift cards. They are coordinating their 2-year training requirements and 9/24/2017 is next prison worship; 8/20/2017 Work release CCU worship.
- **CROSS:** Karen Wright reported game night at Trinity 9/15/2017 at 7 p.m.

Domestic Violence: Linda Drye reported they are set to begin kitchen renovations at the emergency shelter by Cumberland Design & Building Company. During the month of June reports they sheltered #30 women and children---of those #6 women were able to secure safe housing and #3 began new jobs. The agency also fielded #115 calls to the hotline and helped #35 survivors obtain Protection from Abuse Orders (PFAs).

- **Delta Housing/Gaudenzia:** Lorraine Graybill not in attendance. Sent report that they had successful dinners 6/12/2017 and 7/10/2017.
- **Ecumenical Food Pantry:** Lynn Bertram who is on the board and reported that she organizes volunteers for shifts on Mondays at the pantry. This is the largest provider in Dauphin County at 6th and Forester at Messiah Lutheran; #2300 a month receive supplies and 40% are children.
- **New Hope Ministries:** Brad Hollinger. He explained again their locations and how they do more than just hand out groceries; they teach budgeting and life skills. Discussion about getting gifts at Christmas earlier since they distribute earlier than Christmas.
- **Pink Hands of Hope:** Maggie excused not in attendance. Sent report of Fashion Show 10/7/2017. Tickets \$25 and last year they sold out. Trinity filled a table last year.
- **St. Patrick's Cathedral Homeless Breakfast:** Kathy Gottlieb reported still a need and on average about #100 clients on Saturday mornings.
- **Tutoring:** Holly not in attendance.

- **Winter Shelter:** Joe Hunter not in attendance.

Distribution of Designated Funds: Balance \$5,000. Motion from Jeff to defer this until our October meeting due to budget results.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 10/17/2017, at 7 pm. Room 239. **Meeting adjourned @ 8:40 p.m.** with the Lord's Prayer.

Minutes submitted by Linda Drye/edited by Mitzi Jones