

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Queen of Peace Conference 30 West 1st Street Mesa, AZ 85201 480- 366-4953

Monday, November 1, 2021 – 2:00 p.m. Minutes

- I. Call to Order Ann Baumer
 - The meeting was called to order at 2:00. 13 members were present. The sign-in sheet will be filed with the agenda, minutes and handouts.
- II. **Opening Prayer/Vincentian Reflection** Mary Bolig opened with prayer. Frank read from John 14. Reflection was on angry spirits. Discussion followed and several shared experiences. Mary read the Prayer of St. Frances and we concentrated on Peace.
- III. **Approval of Prior Minutes (emailed 10/22/21)** Lupe Hernandez as discussed at the previous meeting, any additions or corrections should respond via e-mail, thus cutting down on discussions. Only one e-mail was received with no changes. The minutes were approved by consensus.
- IV. **Standing Business** (see reverse of this agenda)
 - A. Treasurer's Report (and passing of the Secret Collection bag) Mary Bolig announced that Sharon was back as treasurer and will take over. She passed out a copy of October's Preliminary Report. And as Ann pointed out in the attachment to the Agenda, the Phoenix Council will be sending each Conference \$10,000 from the Virginia G. Piper Foundation. Our Conference will also receive approximately \$1,900 from the sale of Jay Kilroy's car! Current Balance for Client use stands at \$9,587. Sunday's collection won't get posted till Tuesday, once the collection is counted.
 - B. Committee Updates (PLEASE let you Team Contact know when you can't make it)
 - 1. **Call Team** Mary Lou Rivera stated that delivery teams should be sure to fill out client forms as well as they can. We are accepting calls for Christmas Toys for children as well as Turkeys for Thanksgiving.
 - 2. **Delivery Team** Frank Hernandez reported that all is going well. If those teams who deliver are not going to be available on their normal days, please let Frank know so he can find replacements.
 - 3. **Hospitality Committee** Lupe Hernandez brought up that there are 5 Monday's in the month of November. Usually when this happens, a potluck is discussed. Due to it being so close to Thanksgiving, there will not be a potluck.
 - 4. **Pantry Team** Tracey Clark was absent. In her place, it was noted that the Food Drive was a huge success. Over 250 bags of food were collected! Q of P parishioners are always very generous.
 - 5. **Food Pickup Team** Lacho Macias is on vacation. A big Thank You to Wesley for his help in filling in for Lacho.
 - 6. **Cleaning Team** Bob Weidner and Chris Korte are keeping the pantry looking nice and clean.
 - 7. **ServWare Team** Ann Baumer thanked Mary Lou and Mary Kay for their help.
 - C. Spanish Volunteers' Meeting Ana Vera arrived late, so no update was available.

V. Unfinished Business (refer to email)

<u>The Food Drive</u> was a huge success! Our thanks to Q of P parishioners for their generosity. Over 250 bags of food were collected.

<u>Turkey's for Thanksgiving</u> — We will be meeting with the 3 Food City managers. We hope to have more details by our next meeting. The QofP 8th graders will be helping this year with turkey distributions on Wednesday, November 24, 2021, from 8:30 am -12:30 pm in the SVDP parking lot.

<u>Christmas Wreath Raffles and Sales</u> – If you can help make Christmas Wreaths, please come to the pantry **on Friday, Nov.** 5th **at 5:00 pm**. We need your help and appreciate it if you can make it. We hope to have them ready to sell by Saturday, Nov. 13th and 20th. Advent wreaths will also be available as will candle replacements. We will also be selling Raffle tickets for special Advent Wreaths.

VI. New Business

Time and Day for Meetings Going Forward – With the motion on the floor from the previous meeting, Jay suggested the meetings be held on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays at 10:00 am. John Beasley suggested Saturdays at 8:30 am. Both were rejected. Monday remains the favorite day of the week, but we need to vote on a time. Hours suggested were 2:00pm, 4:00, 5:00 or 6:00 pm. Please think about it and the time will be voted on at the next meeting.

- VII. **Updates** (refer to email) no updates.
- VIII. Closing Prayer Ann Baumer led us all in prayer.
- IX. Meeting adjourned at 2:59.

Snacks and Fellowship (The Good, the Bad, & the Ugly)
Halloween candy and cookies with coffee were served.

Next Meeting: Monday, November 15, 2021 at 2:00 pm in the Welcome Center. Spanish Meeting: Sunday, November 7th at 10:30 am in Room #4

Next District Meeting: Thursday, November 11, 2021 at 6:30 pm at All Saints Church

Items for next meeting:

For October 1 - 31:

102 Home Deliveries: 331 people helpedFood boxes: 274 delivered7 Pantry Pickups: 29 people helped

Food boxes: 15 picked up from Pantry

Food boxes: 289 distributed

15 home visits – no food; get consents signed: 41 people helped

 Rent: 8 families
 \$1,666.00

 Utilities: 16 families
 \$2,709.21

 Other – 3 bed vouchers
 \$600.00

 Total to date:
 \$4,975.21

Several checks to be written in November for October requests, but needing more information,

etc.

Vincentian hours/miles: 333.5 hours/ 911.5 miles
Volunteer hours/miles: 210.0 hours/ 710.0 miles
Totals: 543.5 hours/1,621.5 miles

Fall Food Drive: 247 bags collected from the Sat/Sun Masses.

Forgot to add all the bags dropped off during the week and to the Parish Office.