

Minutes

Society of St Vincent de Paul, St Thomas Aquinas Conference

Meeting of March 2, 2017

Members present: Tom Quinn, Tony Morreale, Bob White, Sally Debono, Millie Brady, Phil Brady, Cindy Brown, Bill Hubbs

1). Opening Prayer/Spiritual Reflection

Millie Brady provided a spiritual reading to mark the beginning of Lent, along with reflections on the readings from members

2). Presidents Announcements

The SVdP Indianapolis Council is considering hosting a spring 2018 fundraiser, possibly a sit-down dinner and fashion show, with clothing provided by the Mission 27 Resale Shop. Volunteers for a committee responsible for planning the event are needed. A meeting to begin planning the event will be held at the Distribution Center, 1201 E Maryland Street on Wednesday March 15 at 10:00 a.m. All are invited to attend.

The St Rita/St Luke Changing Lives Forever Program has requested each SVdP conference provide meals during their 18 week program for attendees and facilitators. Sessions will be held Tuesday evenings from 5:30-8:30 from April 4 – August 8. We have agreed to provide meals for 2 sessions. Tom will send out a separate e-mail request for volunteers to pick up and deliver the meals. (We are already scheduled to provide meals for 2 CLF programs for St Lawrence).

Tom met recently with Tom Mulherin, secretary of the St Thomas parish council, to provide an overview of our conference activities. Tom will also meet with the Finance Committee on April 29 to provide an update on our conference. Attached to this e-mail is a 2016 STA SVdP conference summary that was provided to the council.

3). Treasurer's Report

The beginning balance in the SVdP account as of February 1 was \$2,243.30

\$21.00 was received from the January 5 meeting offering

\$4.00 was received from the poor box

\$23.00 was received from the February meeting offering

\$100.00 was received from a private donation in memory of Joe Zelenka

\$1,696.00 was received from December, 2016 STA parish offerings

\$3,442.00 was received from January, 2017 STA parish offerings

Total income in February was \$5,304.00

\$1,105.87 was distributed in February for client rent and utilities

\$1,000.00 was distributed to the Boulevard Place Food Pantry

Total expenses for February totaled \$2,105.87

The ending balance in the SVdP account as of March 1 was \$5,441.43

4). Client Support Update and Discussion

3 families received financial assistance in February. No new client activity was reported

5). Other Reports

Bill Larson has generously agreed to coordinate Easter Food Baskets again this year. Cindy Brown reported that the Boulevard Place Pantry will be able to provide the majority of food items for the baskets at nominal cost. We will work with Marsh to provide the remainder. Food basket distribution will be following the 10:30 mass on Palm Sunday April 9.

6). Collection for Pantry

Completed

7). Closing Prayer

Completed

Next Meeting: Thursday April 6 in the Bethany room

