



## **IFM Annual Meeting of the Board and Member Churches, October 25, 2016**

### **Board Officers Present**

Sue Van Son, Executive Director  
Kate Laferriere, Development Director  
Bob Thurman, President  
Rick Kahil, Vice-President  
Kathy Mollet, Treasurer  
Mary Ellen Tracy, Secretary

### **Board Members Present**

Hilary Dart, Sierra Center for Positive Living  
Debbie Hofen, Twin Cities  
Diane Chang, Seventh Day Adventist  
Joan Denzler, Sierra Pines Methodist  
Cheri Eckholt, Grass Valley United Methodist  
Nancy Koring, St. Patrick's  
Jeff Hebert, St. Canice Catholic  
Jan Kelly, Christian Science Church  
Leal Portis, Unitarian Universalist  
Marnie Ratkovsky, Emmanuel Episcopal  
Jim Schroeder, Peace Lutheran  
Pam Sufleski, Sierra Presbyterian  
Tim Gizzi, Calvary Bible

### **Absent**

Judy Ludlum, Grace Lutheran  
Debi Johnson, First Baptist, G.V

**Sue Van Son led prayer**

**MOTION TO APPROVE SEPTEMBER 2016 BOARD MEETING MINUTES – APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **GUESTS**

### **Bob Thurman**

#### **Charity Art Show**

Ronnie Hart, creator of MONGEEART, was introduced. She explained the Charity Art Show which will be held on November 13<sup>th</sup> at 151 Mill St. There will be art for sale, televised football to watch, and cake to eat. All proceeds will go to IFM.

#### **Nevada County Food Policy Council**

Malaika Bishop, co-director of Sierra Harvest, spoke about the Nevada County Food Policy Council.

- 6 members, each representing a piece of our food system
- Bob Thurman represents IFM
- What is the state of our food system? What do we want? How can we get there?
- Next step – 2 day workshop to help council clarify the steps – What needs to change?
  - Anyone interested may attend

## **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

### **Kathy Mollet**

#### **Q3 Financial Review**

- Summary balance sheet presented
  - Ahead on revenue
  - Under budget on food
- Executive Committee recommendations for 2017 and beyond
  - Pay down the building loan by June of 2021
  - Establish a capital and facilities reserve fund after the building loan is paid down
  - Extend IFM's reach to the "working poor" by distributing on a Saturday morning or evening in partnership with United Way
- 2017 Major Budget Assumptions
  - Continue matching campaign
  - Hold gala every other year beginning in 2017
  - Food budget will increase by 14%

## **CLIENT TRENDS**

### **Rick Kahil**

#### **Client Trends**

- Number of adults is up
- Total served is down
- New families is down
- Bags of food distributed is up
- More food is being given to fewer people

## **OPS UPDATE**

### **Sue Van Son**

#### **Feeding America**

- Has very specific guidelines regarding refrigeration and temperature of food

- SaveMart is a member so it can't give perishable food except bakery items to any organization not following all of the regulations
- In the future, other stores may also join
- If all stores join Feeding America, would IFM benefit enough from our gleaning to think about a refrigerated truck?

#### **Working poor outreach and United Way**

- There is a gap for the working poor who can't take advantage of our normal distribution hours
- United Way has entered into a discussion about the possibility of partnering with IFM to create an evening or Saturday opening
- Maybe try once a month on Saturday

#### **Nutrition Committee Update**

- Education of our clients is ongoing by means of boards in front office area and cooking classes
- Beautiful new flyer funded by USDA Snap-ed lets IFM clients know that we listen to what they want and are committed to their nutritional well-being

#### **Twin Cities Food Drive**

- Members of twin Cities Church were concerned about the non-perishable food IFM failed to received due to the cancellation of the Postal Workers" drive
- They did their own drive
- Many thanks to them for collecting 4,340 pounds of food and then transporting, unloading, and sorting it
- It was suggested that other churches take one day a year to do the same

#### **Project Heart**

- Facilities use agreement is ready to be presented to Fred Viola
- They will help with repairs to the bathroom in Suite A

#### **Raleys**

- Gave IFM a 90 second shopping spree
- Sue collected meat worth \$596 for distribution

#### **CalFresh**

- Sign-ups will start November 14<sup>th</sup>
- Our volunteers will do sign-ups the last two weeks of each month
- Our eligible clients will get more support in the form of an EBT card

#### **God's Closet**

- Seventh Day Adventist Church hosts this event for those who need baby/children's clothing
- IFM put together 6 baskets to be raffled

#### **Holiday distribution**

- Clients from Food Bank of Nevada County and Salvation Army will join our clients in receiving Thanksgiving meals on Nov. 19 at IFM
- Ladies Relief Society will also join us for Christmas distribution on Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>
- Distribution hours are 9:00-1:00

#### **Volunteers needed**

- Need drivers who can commit to two times a month
- Need helpers for holiday distribution on Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> and Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>. Let Sue know if you want to help
- Need interviewers

## **FUND DEVELOPMENT UPDATE**

**Kate Laferriere**

### **Holiday Adopt a Family Program**

- IFM depends upon and appreciates our Board members' creative efforts to sell the \$20 gift cards
- Gift cards given to Board members to sell
- Great gifts for those people who are hard to buy for at the holidays
- Campaign is November through December 16th

### **Grant Update**

- Received a grant for Wow Butter from Briar Patch.
- Received a \$2000 grant from Wells Fargo for eggs and nut butter
- Pending – grant from Safeway \$1.2K/8K for salad greens
- In process – grant from Soroptimists of Sierra Foothills \$1.0K/1.K for cooking classes and crockpots

### **Safeway – Feed the Need**

- October through Dec. 27<sup>th</sup>
- Safeway customers are encouraged to buy \$10 bags to help feed IFM clients
- Each bag contains non-perishable items that will be delivered to IFM on pallets at the end of the drive
- We need volunteers on Friday and Saturday afternoons to pass out fliers
- Each member church is encouraged to take a day and get volunteers to help with this project

### **Paulette's Spaghetti Dinner – Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>**

- We made \$5,794
- Thanks to Paulette and all those who helped and those who came
- Thanks to Robin Reeves and Pam Sufleski for putting together raffle baskets which made \$780

### **KVMR radio show**

- Town Hall format live broadcast once a quarter
- Nov. 1, 6-8pm - broadcast on food insecurity in Nevada County
- IFM, Sierra Harvest and others would be part of the broadcast
- What is the problem? Topic for 1<sup>st</sup> hour
- What can we do about it? Topic for 2<sup>nd</sup> hour

### **Facebook Video Vignettes**

- Stories of clients
- Stories of donors who use their talents to help IFM

## **GENERAL ITEMS**

### **Jim Schroeder**

October is stewardship month at Peace Lutheran. Jim made a poster about IFM and offered tours to anyone interested in volunteering at IFM.

### **Sue Van Son**

Sue offered thanks to Tim Gizzi, our new board member from Calvary Bible Church, for jumping in and spending hours cleaning up after a rain water problem in Suite A.

### **Bob Thurman**

The annual meeting will be on January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017, from 9:00-11:00 – Please invite your Pastor/Clergy leadership  
Our next and last meeting of the year will be November 22.