



IFM Meeting of the Board and Member Churches, April 25, 2017

Board Officers Present

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

Board Members Present

Hilary Dart, Sierra Center for Spiritual Living
Judi Wade, Twin Cities
Diane Chang, Seventh Day Adventist
Joan Denzler, Sierra Pines Methodist
Debi Johnson, First Baptist, G.V
Cheri Eckholt, Grass Valley United Methodist
Nancy Koring, St. Patrick's
Jeff Hebert, St. Canice Catholic
Janet Kelly, Christian Science Church
Keith Johnson, Unitarian Universalist
Marnie Ratkovsky, Emmanuel Episcopal
Jim Schroeder, Peace Lutheran
Tim Gizzi, Calvary Bible

Absent

Gaye Rogers, Grace Lutheran
Pam Sufleski, Sierra Presbyterian
Rick Kahil, Vice-President

Sue Van Son led us in prayer.

Keith Johnson announced that the memorial for Leal Portis will be May 27th at the Foothill Event Center.

The minutes of the March 28, 2017 meeting were approved unanimously.

Nonprofits receiving food from IFM

Request for food by NEO from Halli Ellis-Edwards

- NEO stands for New Events and Opportunities, a program for youth to help them make better choices
- It's an after school hangout for junior high, high school, and college students, currently on different days of the week
- Neo averages 130 visits per week
- Asking for food to help provide healthy snacks for the students, particularly for Fridays when they can stay until 8:30
- Someone from NEO would come every week to get food that is donated and would be appropriate for snacks for the students. This would not take away from the food available for IFM clients.
- A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously approved to grant this request for food for NEO

Non-Profit Partners

Sue VanSon

Sue reviewed a list of organizations we partner with by providing food in various ways: some come in as clients, some come in each week at the end of the day, and others on an as needed basis.

Q1 – 2017 REVIEW

KEY DISTRIBUTION FACTS

Bob Thurman for Rick Kahil

Client demographics have remained fairly stable

- Adults – 75.2%
- Children – 24.8%
- Seniors (55+) – 27%
- Homeless – 4.6%

Client trends

- New families – 130
- Total families served – 5,950
- Total individual served – 14,061

Distribution

- Average visits per distribution day – 153
- 23,263 grocery bags of food given
Up 7.1%
More food and more nutritious food
- Retail value of food distributed = \$520,736

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Kathy Mollet

Financial Highlights & Trends

Balance Sheet

- Continues to be healthy
- USDA Loan pay-down on 1/24/17 for \$90K
- Loan payable balance is now \$272.3K

Profit & Loss Actuals to Date vs. Q1 2015 Budget

- Income is \$4.1K lower than expected
- Food and Food Supplies are lower than expected by \$5.6K
- Operations Expense is lower by \$1.6K
- Overall net income is \$3.7K better than planned through 3/31/17

OPS UPDATE

Sue Van Son

Project Heart will begin using Suite A on May 8th

Saturday distribution update

- Will begin May 13th
- Food Bank will provide a truck for a Raley's and Briar Patch pick up on Friday afternoon

Easter distribution

- About 1,000 meals were given out
- Majority of clients really liked this new distribution system
- We will try the same process for Thanksgiving and Christmas this year

Riverhill Farms donation program

- Donors can adopt a plant for \$25, a row for \$50, a bed for \$75, or a field for \$250
- Checks to be sent to Riverhill Farms but made out to IFM
- This is a one time donation
- Money will be used by IFM to buy fresh produce from Riverhill Farms at wholesale prices for distribution three times a week during the farm season
- Response has been great
- Further information on the website

Bridges Out of Poverty

- Class Sue and Kate attended
- How can various groups work to help local residents rise out of poverty

Case Study

- Public Health and Nutrition Policy Institute
- Through UC Berkley
- IFM will work with Public Health on this
- Visitors will come to visit and tour IFM facilities on April 26th

Volunteers needed

- Drivers – 2 to 3
- Saturday volunteers – Receptionists (need good computer skills) and Interviewers (need good people skills)
9:15 to 1:00 the second Saturday of each month

Food

- Trying to buy more things guided by our nutrition policy
- Broccoli and soup were purchased during the winter months

FUND DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Kate Laferriere

Matching Update – March, 2017

- Matching funds \$35,000
 - Community donations \$57,568
 - Total Donations \$92,568
 - Number of new donors down a little over 2 previous years
- There was a suggestion to create a different letter next year to reach out to potential new donors

2017 1st Quarter Grant Update

Grants received

- Church of LDS \$3K
- CSBG \$31.8K
- Soroptimists SF \$1.8K
- Grass Valley Elks \$2K – May

Grant applications completed

- Teichert Grant \$4,214 – Gutters
- Soroptimists GV \$1,000 – Benches
- United Way \$15,412 – Protein
(Representatives from United Way will visit IFM on Friday, April 28, to talk with board members and tour IFM)
- Nevada City Elks \$2K (\$500 guaranteed)

Upcoming Grant Applications

There are 8 upcoming applications

Upcoming Events

Love in Nevada County – April 29th

IFM will be receiving help with general clean up

Gala

- 16 tables have been sponsored
- \$10,500 underwritten
- Emails sent out regarding auction items
- Many thanks to all the generous donors

Run for Hunger

- New date – Saturday, Oct. 7th
- The downtown association is excited about it
- Music in the Mountains will provide young musicians to play along the route

Church Food Drive

- September is Hunger Action Month
- Each IFM member church, as well as non-member churches, asked to schedule a food drive during September

Shred Day

- May 20th 8:30-12:30
- Owens Plaza
- In addition to shredding paper, they will be able to remove and destroy hard drives
- Volunteers who can lift boxes needed for 2 ½ hour shifts, 8-10:30 and 10:30- 1:00

Volunteer Luncheon

- Tuesday, June 6th, 11:30-1:30
- Peace Lutheran Church

Safeway \$10 Bag

- Month of June
- Volunteers needed to hand out slips on Saturdays
Families and Youth groups are great with this

GENERAL BUSINESS

Bob Thurman

Treasurer replacement

- Search is ongoing
- Board members encouraged to help in the search

Annual Report

- On IFM website
- Members encourage to read it
- Bob went through it briefly
- A few members shared stories about the importance of recognizing and interacting with our clients

Pastor Meeting

- A few members have responded, but Bob still wants more input
- So far it looks like mid-day, mid-week would work
- Sue and Bob would attend

Next board meeting – May 23rd

