

IFM Minutes – July 24, 2013

Meeting began with a welcome and an inspirational introduction by Bob Thurman, who told of his “God sightings.”

Introduction of new and transitioning Board members:

- Bill Kerler will be replacing Phil Lamarche as Board representative for Calvary Bible Church
- Marnie Ratkovsky will be replacing Mark Parker as Board representative for Emmanuel Episcopal
- Lani Brunmeier will be replacing Judie St. John as Board representative for Twin Cities

Thanks to all Board members for ‘grooming’ your replacement to help ensure continuous qualified representation from your respective church.

Board Member Attendees:

Bob Fulkerson, Peace Lutheran
Bill Dempsey, Sierra Presbyterian
Nancy Koring, St. Patrick’s
Joan Denzler, Sierra Pines Methodist
Mark Parker, Emmanuel Episcopal
Gabrielle Boulard, Sierra Center for Positive Living
Bernie Delgado, St. Canice
Rick Kahil, G.V. United Methodist
Judie St. John, Twin Cities
Pat Paddock, Unitarian Universalist
Debi Johnson, First Baptist, G.V.
Bill Kerler, Calvary Bible

Absent members:

Mary Albrecht, Grace Lutheran
Diane Chang, Seventh Day Adventist
Nels Nelson, Christian Scientist

Attendance of 18, including guests and officers

Action – May minutes approved

Mid-year financial review (Detail will be posted on IFM website under “About Us”)

- Total registered families – 24% increase from last year. Total of 3,096.
- Receipts up 19%.
- Building Fund up 36%.
- Food expenses down, primarily due to Placer County Food Bank providing free and lower cost food.
- Operations fund going down – in Sept. perhaps focus on re-occurring donations. Ask people who have given to make it a regular habit.

Fact Sheet figures (Detail will be posted on IFM website under “About Us”)

- 2/3 of clients are multiple users (3 or more times)
- Food donations up 20%
- Value of one bag of food - \$22. Up 19%.
- Members advised that IFM can purchase \$2 of food for every \$1 donated.

Executive Director Report

Hourly Report – Sue would like direction on priorities re where she spends her time - Fundraising has been the priority.

Food Committee – New focus on nutrition. Hunger to Health program looks at nutrition, focusing on healthy food. Health Dept. people have been offering suggestions to clients in line.

Holidays – Thanksgiving distribution days: Nov. 20, 22, 25

Christmas: Dec. 18, 20, 23

Possible purchase of canopies for bad weather

Volunteers

- The Board will be working closely with Volunteer Coordinators to share specific volunteer needs.
- Judi Wade will replace Pat Paddock as distribution scheduler
- Need Vice President of Operations

General

- Cleaning day not needed this year. Sierra Presbyterian completed it. Other congregations might take this on.
- Nevada Union High basketball team will be helping each summer day in the morning, to lift boxes, etc.
- New newsletter coming out in Aug.
- Placer County Food Bank needs a Nevada County rep to meet monthly in Roseville (can't be IFM board member).

Fund Raising & Grants

- Rock Around Hunger brought about \$75,000. Only \$3,000 in expenses. Very successful in many ways.
- United Way to visit next week. Need board member to attend meeting. Also, will be needing external audit.

Upcoming Events

- California Organics – Aug. 27. 20% of restaurant proceeds of day will go to IFM. Suggestion: Board members and others could have lunch there together, bringing spouses.
- Oct. 5: Spaghetti dinner at Paulette's
- United Way to visit next week. Need board member to attend meeting. Also, will be needing external audit.
- Sept. is Hunger Action Month. Suggestion: An open house at IFM. Also, people can be challenged to eat at the poverty level, \$4.50 a day.

Real Estate

- Close of escrow still targeted for Oct 1
- Estimated move-in March/April of 2014
- Construction bids have been received and submitted to the USDA
- Construction and building cost slightly under approved cap

Committee Update

- Strategic Plan updated. Success criteria for Exec. Director will follow.

Old Business

- Completed purchase of Board & Officer liability insurance for \$719, lower than forecast.
- Fund Dev. Workshop: Attendees reported practical skills learned on how to speak to people about donating and cultivating relationships. Focus on IFM board giving and advocacy if expect others to give.

New Business

- Bob will schedule One on One meetings with board members.
- Whiting Street Sale- Will publicize after new building close of escrow, approx. Oct 1.
 - **Action:** Board voted to list property within 15 days of escrow closing of new bldg.
- Meeting concluded with tour of New Building.

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