



THOMAS MERTON CENTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2017, 7:30 P.M., THOMAS HOUSE
MINUTES

Present: Rosana Madrigal de Beattie, Mike McMahon, Gerard McGuire, Vicki Sullivan, Judy Swope and Mary O'Connor

Absent: Helen Bunje

Agenda Introduction:

Meeting leader: Vicki

Meeting prayer leader: Judy

Meeting secretary: Rosana

Ongoing Business:

1. Review October Board Minutes-**ACTION:** Rosana will present next meeting
2. Review November Board Minutes-**ACTION:** ??? next meeting
3. Annual Appeal Letter Response **ACTION:** Mike will present next meeting
4. Future structure of the TMC with Board and Muslim community. **ACTION:** Table for now.
5. 2019 International Merton Society Conference **ACTION:** Anna Jaklitsch see email
6. Advent Prayer Group wrap-up **ACTION:** Vicki/Helen went well and plan to do again for Lent.
7. ABC's of Thomas Merton book for Seton School **ACTION:** Richard Placone secured outside private funding.

Committee Reports

1. Finance: Mike presented Monthly - **ACTION:** Judy moved. Gerard second. Approved.
2. Spiritual Education - **ACTION:** Joy of the Gospel Retreat was attended by 50-60 people.
3. Liturgy - **ACTION:** Fr. Matt makes assignments
4. Hospitality **ACTION:** Fish Fry going well on the "teen" Friday of the month. - need a few more volunteers
5. Speakout (Letter to the Governor)- **ACTION:** Governor has not responded on TMC Letter. San Jose Bishop thanked us for our thank you on his inclusiveness of LGBT Community.
6. Website **ACTION:** None

New Business:

1. January Thomas Merton Retreat at January 13 & 14 at the Mercy Center. **ACTION:** Placed in TMC Bulletins & announced during Masses.
2. New TMC lapel microphone **ACTION:** Jim is researching costs (under \$100)
3. Sierra Roots Volunteer Proposal **ACTION:** Many **local** opportunities: St. Anthony in Redwood City, Catholic Worker House in Redwood City, Clara House in San Jose, St. Francis Center in East Palo Alto and Day Worker Center in Mountain View.

Adjournment

Closing prayer - faith sharing |

Next meeting: January 11, 2018; Thomas House

Next meeting leader: Vicki

Next meeting prayer leader: Mike

Next meeting secretary: Rosana

From: Anna Jaklitsch

Sent: Monday, November 06, 2017 8:29 PM

Subject: Re: TMC Board Meeting THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2017, 7:30 P.M., Thomas House

Hi Rosana,

The International Thomas Merton Society has not got back to me about the offer of limited supported we made to them over the summer. I've sent an email to Mark Meade asking about whether a decision was made about the location of their 2019 meeting.

The Spiritual Education Committee had also considered whether to propose that our group become a sponsoring organization within the International Society. We are already members. The last time this topic was discussed the SEC did not think that there would be sufficient mutual benefit to take this next step. We are not an academic group with members who want to publish papers after immersion into Merton's writing.

Anna