ST PERPETUA OUTREACH COMMITTEE MINUTES
August 7, 2018

Members Present: Marielle Narkiewicz-Chair, Joan Liston, Sandi Gritzer, Pat Snyder, Ann Porcella, Carol Weyer, Diane Hansen, Heather Spellman, Kitty Locke, Marj Ho, Karen Kalvass, Virginia LaFaille, Mary Terjeson

Welcome and Opening Prayer: Marielle welcomed everyone and led opening prayer—Prayer to the Holy Spirit—grant us the power to be gentle and place our trust in the Power of Good.

Future Speakers:
- Only one this year, Actions For Women. Discussion on fall lineup. Revisit organizations we’ve not heard from in some time. Liaisons to reach out. Potentially St. Vincent de Paul, Bay Area Rescue Mission, and Project Hope. Helpful to have personal connections; websites also reflect latest info.

Correspondence and Agency Updates: All / Marielle
1. Letters & Thank You Notes: All
   a. Thank you letter, Trinity Center.
   b. Thank you note, Bay Area Rescue Mission.
   c. Thank you letter, Warm Winter Nights; testament of impact to family.
   d. Thank you note from Stand.
   e. Thank you note from Loaves and Fishes.
   f. Thank you from Bay Area Crisis Nursery
   g. Thank you from St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry
   h. Thank you from St. Marys, Friendly Manor
2. Upcoming Events
   a. Sept 28, Bay Area Rescue Mission Gala, free admission and provided dinner. See details / registration online.
   b. Options for Women Gala; see details / registration online.

Financial Report & Fund Distribution: Mary
Fifth Sundays Remaining: 9/30 and 12/30

June income was $1,614, and July income was $2,192 coming from donations. The balance in the Outreach account is $2,007. Of note: the June distribution for Winter Nights was inadvertently issued as $2,222 vs. approved $500 due to an input error. Funds were sufficient to cover this amount and agency can use it, so we are not taking any corrective actions. Future distributions will be postponed accordingly.
There will be three $500 donations distributed to the following agencies in August, for a total of $1,500 in donations, leaving $507 in the coffers:

1. CCIC (Contra Costa Interfaith Coalition)
2. Child Abuse Prevention Council
3. Contra Costa Food Bank/Extra Help

Food Basket: Kitty
- July – Approximately 18 bags of groceries for Monument Crisis Center
- Aug.- PB&J and crackers for SVDP

Blue Barrel: Sandi / All
Twenty-seven backpacks delivered to Monument Crisis Center for back to school. Fall donation - Coat Drive “Share the Warmth.” Likely start late October / early November—dates and items TBD. Winter Blue Barrel will be a Food Bag Drive.

Shoes that Fit: Carol / Marj
Marj to contact schools for requests.

Friendly Manor Lunch: Karen
Last Friendly Manor lunch of Sloppy Joes was June 22 serving approximately 30—group truly appreciates a hot meal with protein. Next lunch prepared by St. Perpetua is Aug. 24 with meat loaf planned. Please let Karen know if you would like to help out with serving and / or preparing the food.

Other: Pat / Joan
- Social Justice at St Perpetua’s: First meeting provided good discussion on next steps. Focus on how the committee should be governed with an underlying theme of “Who Are Our Neighbors?” Representatives of local charities may be invited to speak at Mass to foster understanding and highlight victims of social injustice. Possible coordination with the Multifaith Action Coalition. See Sojo.net, a Christian information site. The Community Outreach committee will continue an update on status. Next meeting is Aug 30 at St. Perpetua.

Publicity: Sandi
Sandi has everything she needs.

Closing Prayer: All
The meeting was ended with the Lords’ Prayer

Next Meeting: Sept. 4, 2018