

rebirth of hope
Easter Group

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Minutes – MONDAY, SEPT. 30, 2013

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Present: Julia Smith, Patricia Atkinson, Cheri Hample, Jack and Judy Ozment, Ellen Daly, Dave Nuetzel, Donna Callistini, and Mary Wegner

2. ADDITIONS TO & APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Jack asked to add a report on check writers to his Treasurer Report, Patricia asked to hear more about the work and purpose of the Easter Group, and we added Project Homeless Connect to the agenda. Agenda accepted with additions.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR SEPT. 4 WORK GROUP (SHIFT) MEETING

Jack moved and Dave seconded to approve the minutes as presented. Motion Passed.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR SEPT. 9 MEETING

Dave moved and Jack seconded to approve the minutes as presented. Motion Passed.

5. GUESTS AND PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

- a. Donna brought in documents that share best practices in housing the homeless population.
- b. We reviewed the purpose of the Easter Group for the new members by going around the table to introduce ourselves and share our views on what we do as an organization.
- c. Donna and Cheri shared information from the 2013 Health Summit where they picked drug (meth) reduction and community food bank as their top two goals for this year. Sitka Food Hub will meet on Thursday, October 3rd from 6:30-8 pm at HCH, and the People for a Meth-Free Sitka will meet on Tuesday, October 15th from 6-7:30 pm at the Fire Hall.

6. PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Dorrie is absent and we hope she gets better quickly!

7. VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Julia's report is covered in our business discussions

8. TREASURER'S REPORT

Jack reported that at this point in time we have \$12,061.96 in our checking account. Jack reported that the President, Vice President, and Treasurer are all set up as signers on the account; however, the actual signers are still Mim, Dorrie, and Jack. Now that there has been some movement in the officer positions, we may need to add Julia as a signer, also.

9. REPORT ON FINAL FIT GRANT – Mary shared the FIT grant application that Dorrie, Julia, Ellen, and Mary wrote up. Dave mentioned that it might be good to have an MOA with St. Peter's to make sure everyone is clear on how the money will flow between St. Peter's and the Easter Group. Julia will check with Dorrie on the next step to get a cover letter from St. Peter's and get the grant submitted.

10. HOMELESS SUMMIT CHAIR REPORTS

- a) Julia reviewed the list of panel speakers. Mary will print the program and table tents for the panelists, and Julia will check with Dorrie on the facilitators.
- b) Dave sent Julia the questions for panelists, and has arranged for two JVs to do our scribing.

- c) Mary has all of the equipment organized for recording, and the only question is to ensure that HCH will have the screen set up.
- d) Donna will write up the PSA and will send to Mary to get out to the local media.
- e) Dorrie created a layout for the Maksoutoff Room and prepared a budget of \$150. Dorrie will arrange to have the coffee set-up and a table for food.
- f) All Board Members are asked to bring food items for snacks.

11. **DISCUSS MEMBERSHIP IN ALASKA COALITION ON HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS.** We received correspondence from the Alaska Coalition on Housing and Homelessness that included a request to join the coalition by paying annual dues (\$100) and also information about the annual convention that will be held in Anchorage in October. Donna is interested in going to the convention.

Judy moved and Mary seconded that we pay our dues and join the Alaska Coalition on Housing and Homelessness. Motion Passed.

Dave moved and Judy seconded to allow up to \$1,000 to be spent in support of Donna attending the 2013 Alaska Coalition on Housing and Homelessness Convention. Donna will see if any STA funds can be used to offset the Easter Group expenses, and she will also see if any additional travel stipends are available from the Coalition. Motion Passed.

12. **CHAIR FOR DEC. 21 MEMORIAL**

Julia has again agreed to chair this event. Thank you, Julia 😊

13. **PROJECT HOMELESS CONNECT (PHC)**

Dorrie is looking for a Volunteer Coordinator, although this might not be as big of a job as it has been now that the Point in Time documentation will not occur in conjunction with our PHC. We discussed the need to start the planning for this event in October.

14. **SET NEXT MEETING & AGENDA ITEMS**

Monday, October 21st from 12-1:15 pm in the Sitka School District Board Room (300 Kostrometinoff St.) with the main topic being the PHC planning.

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

Jack moved and Judy seconded to adjourn our meeting. Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 1:25 pm.