

Easter Group – *Rebirth of Hope*

EIN: 80-0647738

MINUTES

Friday, October 5, 2012, 12:15pm – 1:15pm

St. Peter's See House

1. CALL TO ORDER and ROLL CALL

Present: Mim McConnell, Dorrie Farrell, Jack Ozment, Evadne Wright, and Mary Wegner

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved with the addition of an update on the Jericho Road house.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 8/10/12 Minutes

Jack moved and Dorrie seconded to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed.

4. GUESTS & PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR - None

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Basic Homeless Assistance Program (BHAP)/Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG): Mim reported that she is continuing to work with the Salvation Army (SA) and Sitka Counseling (SC) regarding the FY2014 BHAP/ESG funding opportunity. A letter of intent is due Oct. 19th. Evadne will follow-up with the Anchorage SA office to see if they can submit the intent prior to the deadline. To date there has been no word from SC regarding whether or not they were able to secure a copy of the previous grant proposal.

6. VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Boot Auction: The Boot Auction raised \$961 from the boots + \$40 in additional donations for a total of \$1,001. Expenses totaled \$59.40, which brings the net total to \$941.60! Dorrie has sent Thank You notes to each of the artists, the media, and all of the participants who helped to make this event happen. A special THANK YOU goes to Dorrie for all of her organization of this event!

501 (c)(3)/Form 1023: We have received a letter from the IRS stating they have received our completed Form 1023, which is aka the 501 (c)(3) application. We are now able to apply for grants as a non-profit organization even though we are awaiting the final determination from the IRS.

7. TREASURER'S REPORT – Jack reported that we have \$8,699.92 in our account.

8. PROJECT REPORTS

a. Homeless Summit/Fall Mini PHC Event: We discussed the flyer and agenda. Ted's schedule is prohibiting him from helping to organize the Summit as he had previously hoped, so Dorrie will take the lead to finalize the panel participants and examine space needs. We discussed the vouchers, and Mary will draft something to share. There will not be a lunch at the event; however, we will advertise the Mini PHC Event with the individuals who eat lunch at the SA.

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- b. Living on the Edge Bracelet Report from Bill Winslow @ Mt. Edgecumbe:** Bill shared with Mim that a business club has started with the idea that they would continue helping the homeless. He invited any Easter Group member to visit with the business group at any time during their class time, which is on Tuesday's from 12:30-ish to 1-ish.
- c. Jericho Road Update:** Jack spoke with Amy Zanuzoski, who is the new Executive Director at SC regarding the status of the Jericho Road house. Amy reported that the house has closed and is in the process of being converted to housing for women in treatment and their children, as discussed at the August Easter Group meeting. This process happened within a short amount of time. The whereabouts of the previous residents is currently unknown.

9. NEW PROJECTS and TASKS - None

10. ADDITIONAL EASTER GROUP BUSINESS and COMMENTS/REPORTS - None

11. SET NEXT MEETING DATE(S) AND AGENDA ITEMS

Thursday, October 25th from 12:15-1:15 pm at the Lutheran Church (to be confirmed)

Main Agenda Item: Final planning for the Homeless Summit/Mini Project Homeless Connect Event

12. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned about 1:45 pm.