

REC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES May 11, 2009

In Attendance: Peter Vance, Bob Benac, Harry Brust, Don Butner, Don Elston, Walt Forney, Allan Johnson, Bill Kaehler, Tom Morrison, Bill Mullins, Mike Tidd, Jack Ablett, Steve Powers and Pat Johnson

Meeting called to order by Peter Vance at 7:00pm at the Siena Alumni House.

Opening Prayer-Don Butner

Meditation-Tom Morrison

Secretary's Report: April 2009 minutes were reviewed and were accepted with modifications.

Treasurer's Report: *Walt Forney* - submitted written reports for April 2009. The reports were reviewed, and accepted.

Supplies Report: *Bill Mullins* - Requested that excess Palanca should be retained by the facility team and not returned with supplies returning.

Facility Reports:

Coxsackie: *Tom Morrison* - Weekend went well with Deacon Grosbeck present.

Great Meadow: *Bill Mullins* -Weekend scheduled for May 15 - 17th.

Green: *Don Elston* - Weekend went well with 40 to 45 residents and 14 team members. One new member coming from ads in the Evangelist. Fr. Shaw made "Sacrament of Encounter with God" presentation.

Hale Creek: *Steve Powers* - Preparing for upcoming weekend with 23 team members, two of whom are new. Meetings in Gloversville were well received.

Hudson: *Tom Morrison* - 19 to 27 residents attended the weekend, one new team member, and 3 priests for Reconciliation.

McGregor: *Bill Kaehler* - Weekend went well with 55 to 65 residents along with 17 team members.

Washington: *Harry Brust/Bill Mullins* - Weekend had 32 to 57 residents with 19 team members. Looking for director for next weekend. June 7th reunion planned.

RMU: *Tom Morrison* - Weekend went well.

Re-Entry Program: *Steve P.* - Following up with Hudson re-entry efforts. ARISE is very interested in the Program and will be at a forum to be held at Schenectady Community College. Steve continues with on going contacts with re-entry individuals. *Peter V.* - REC will work towards being a source of information to connect individuals with nearby parishes.

Old Business:

Weekend Expenses - *Peter V. /Walt F.* - Additional efforts needed to assure that weekend costs (mainly lodging) be borne by team not REC Treasury. Liaisons have the responsibility to address any case-by-case exceptions. Suggestions were put forth for additional sources of funds ie. parish support, canoe raffle, etc.

The Evangelist - Waiting for bill. Results were worthwhile with 6 new prospects received some already on team.

Printing - *Bill M.* - Green books are in.

Spanish Translation - *Peter V.* - Has August deadline.

Directors Manual - *Peter V.* - Work continues.

Spring Enrichment - Motions to expend \$270.00 for REC brochure and \$50.00 for cost of tables moved and carried. Looking for posters and volunteers.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: The Bishop, members of REC, REC relatives; friends and residents.

Closing Prayer: Our Father

NEXT MEETING - Monday, June 15th.