

Mt. Healthy Alliance Board of Directors Minutes for the Meeting of January 14, 2010

Board member attendance: Don Hubbard, Donald Jones, Jim Spicer, David Miller, Sue Marshall (substituting for Sherri Horton, Kevin Orr, Karen Gerrety, Roxanne Reed, Trudy Noffsinger, David Bailey.

President David Bailey will follow up with Ed or Cindy Emmert and Pastor Marcus Goodwin regarding their absence.

Kathy Lorenz also attended.

The meeting was called to order by David Bailey at 7:00 p.m.

Jim Spicer opened with prayer.

The minutes from the November meeting were read by Karen Gerrety in the absence of Sherri Horton who was ill. A motion to approve the minutes was made and seconded. The motion carried 9 to 1.

The Treasurer's reports for November and December, 2009 were presented by Trudy Noffsinger and were accepted into the records of the Board. There was discussion about changing the format of the report for the future and Ms. Noffsinger will follow up on several suggested resources. Kevin Orr has asked a member of his church (who regularly audits the church financial records) to conduct an audit of our financial records. He will report on the response at our February meeting.

President David Bailey outlined his agenda for this year. He has two major goals:

1. Accountability
 - a. For the Board members. Defining expectations for how we live up to the mission of the Alliance and how we relate with one another, eg. we all agree to share our time, talents and treasures.
 - b. For the volunteers who carry out our ministries, eg. that they treat all clients with respect.
 - c. For the clients who received our services, eg. that they treat our volunteers with respect.

Mr. Bailey asked all Board members to provide him with any ideas on accountability expectations for the Board by January 28, 2010. The ideas will be discussed at the meeting in February.

2. How we define ourselves as it relates to the overall health and wellbeing our community.

Mr. Bailey discussed "urgent care" ministries vs. "rehabilitative" ministries and the need to establish evaluative criteria for our activities to ensure our efforts are effective.

Jim Spicer motioned that the Board accept the offer of LaVina Bryant, a student at the College of Mt. St. Joseph to write a grant proposal for the Alliance and that this effort be under the direction of the Development committee. The motion was properly seconded and unanimously passed. The Board is under no obligation to submit the grant application. Jim also reported a delay in obtaining the needs assessment report done by students of Mt. St. Joseph during the fall quarter. We have the data and hope to have a report to discuss by the February meeting.

Kathy Lorenz submitted a report of the activities of the food pantry. Copies were provided to all in attendance. Kathy wants to post our mission statement at the pantry; Sue Marshall will ask the Christian Church trustees for permission to do so. Kathy requested the Board consider creating some form of Memorial card or envelope so that people who wished to make donations have an easy method; Roxanne Reed will create something in this regard and bring it for the Board's consideration in February.

Don Hubbard reported on the request of the Mt. H. Business Association to have one of our members sit as an honorary member on their Board. Kevin Orr volunteered to do this.

Due to the illness of Sherri Horton there was no report on the dance program fund raising event.

The resignation of Larry Bussard as a Board member was tabled for discussion in February.

Donald Jones reported that those wanting to know the donation needs for Haitian people relief should go to www.m25m.org for information. He reported that Matthew 25 ministries will hold an ecumenical prayer service for the Haitian victims on Sunday, January 17, 2010 at their location at 11060 Kenwood Rd.

The meeting was closed with prayer offered by Roxanne Reed and adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Submitted by:

David Miller

Secretary

January 15, 2010