

SCKTRO

SCKTRO Minutes for November 6, 2007

Call to order 9:19am

Attendance: Kathleen Blair-SCKTRO Chairperson, Barb Neslund-SCKTRO Secretary/Case Manager, Matt Deighton-SCKTRO Volunteer Coordinator, Kelly Gindlesberger-SCKTRO, Disciples of Christ, Teresa Flora-SCKTRO Case Manager, Kathy Koehn, LDR Case Manager, Nicki Goers, Donna Meier Pfeifer-Cannonball Trail-American Red Cross, Deb Folkerts-Salvation Army, Doug Bruggeman, Tim Rogers-USDA Rural Development, Don McAllister-Church of the Brethren, Ken Doell, Willis Troyer, Melvin Miller-Mennonite Disaster Service, Jeff Blackburn-Greensburg Mennonite Church/KCMA, Mark Stump-United Way of the Plains, Rocky Mease, Chuck Jedele-LDR, Debbie Crites, Keith Kohlmeier-KS District LCMS, Matt Grice, Kathy Harmon, Francie Harman, Pat Harman-KARE, June Bailey- Community Housing Services, Neighborhood Home Ownership Center, Roger Yost, Chester Dirks-Christian Public Service, Steve and Lisa Nelson-EFCA Crisis Response

Opening Prayer

Announcements

- Christmas Festival is scheduled for December 1 at the SCKTRO Dining Hall- There will be a distribution of Christmas trees and decorations, plus a visit from Santa. It has been requested that SCKTRO also host a “snack and yack” type get together on Sunday evening following the Christmas Parade in Greensburg.
- There will not be a meeting on November 20th, and all SCKTRO offices will be closed November 22-25th.
- November 27th will be the next meeting for presenting cases, and again on December 11th. There will be “staff only” meetings on December 4th and 18th.

Committees

Volunteers

- There has been amazing progress on the Volunteer Village, and on Matt’s house at 516 N. Main. We are hoping that Volunteer housing will be available within the next couple of weeks.

Donations

- The Salvation Army Distribution Center in Pratt will be closed as of November 21st. Deb Folkerts will be moving her office to the Volunteer Village and Rocky Mease will contact Orphan Grain Train to inquire about getting another shipping container for donations and distribution. Deb has also been asked to be the new committee head of donations.

Building/Volunteer

Toilets in Greensburg-Orphan Grain Train has reduced the price of the toilet unit to \$45,000 from the original \$65,000. LDR is reviewing. Matt will be checking with the hospital to see where they obtained their toilet unit and if it would be more cost effective to go that route.

Financial

Kelly will be requesting an additional \$8,000.00 from South Central Community Foundation to go towards fuel, landfill and demolition expenses.

Casework

Marcia LaChance-Melvin Miller was called again. An estimate was obtained from A-R Roofing for \$3,800.00. It has been decided that this case will be completely turned over to Catholic Social Services.

Case# 48-This couple is requesting another vehicle as their fuel pump has gone out in the van that they originally purchased. They state that to get the vehicle fixed will cost over \$500.00. She is now working at the Qwik Shop and walking to work from the FEMA trailers. Mark Stump with Untied Way stated that he will look into this.

Case# 85-This couple is in need of a new furnace. They are planning on applying for USDA grant. Kathy has spoken with the vendor who has agreed to replace existing unit and will await payment whether it comes from USDA or one of the other funding agencies.

Cases 31, 137- in need of storm shelters-United Way has agreed to pay for the cost of these which are \$2,350.00 each.

General Information

Tim Rogers inquired about reserving the Volunteer Village Dining Hall on Tuesday evenings for the Community Business Meetings. This request has been approved, but the Dining Hall will not be usable for 2-3 weeks as the electric and furnace have not been completed.

Close of meeting: 10:20