



O-SM Minutes 080302
SOCIAL MINISTRY COMMITTEE

THE CHAPEL OF THE CROSS

Minutes

March 2, 2008

1 PM in the Library

Present: Ned Adams, Alice Cotten, Cynthia Crittenden, Jim Drury (new member), Mary Kent Hill, Terry Johnston, Teddy Lovejoy, Sandra McClaskey, Mark Pandick, Peggy Pratt, Jimmy Satterwhite, Barbara Tremblay, Patricia Watts, Chick White.

Devotions: Cynthia Crittenden led the group.

Guests: John Koch and Margaret Conrad – Capital Campaign. John was introduced to the SMC and spoke about the Capital Campaign. John said he was excited to be here and wants to build something that will last for generations. Wants the new building to be a tool/vehicle for the church to do the work that we are called to do. Stressed that this is an important phase and the Cabinet really wants to "Go for what is needed and wanted and see if we can make it happen". A field trip to a church in Tarboro was completed recently to view their new building. This trip was very educational and beneficial. John and Margaret answered questions from the committee:

1) Can a percent of the campaign be earmarked for outreach? Yes...it would raise the overall goal. John mentioned that it helps the campaign in some cases and hurts in others. No real blueprint for success as there are many other variables.

2) What is the evaluation process for 'wants' vs. 'needs'? Margaret said that the Master Planning Committee is currently reviewing plans to re-evaluate.

3) When will the campaign begin? September 14. It will run parallel to the Annual Giving Campaign. Identification and contact of potential large gift donors is in progress.

4) What can be done about parking concerns? Jimmy advised that the real key for all parking concerns is the education about available spots/lots in close proximity as well as the tokens for the Morehead lot.

5) Asked for communication regarding progress/success of pre-campaign? John/Margaret echoed the importance of good communication for all parts of the process. They hope to continue in this manner.

Minutes: The February 2007 Minutes was approved with 2 minor revisions. Under the **The Augustine Project**, the word training is to be replaced with tutoring (...60 hour tutoring commitment...). **Helping Hands** should read **A Helping Hand**.

Community Organizations Liaison Reports:

Orange County Rape Crisis Center – Teddy Lovejoy

Teddy met with Cynthia Riordan, MPA (former assistant director). Their mission is to serve adult survivors, victims of sexual abuse, violence, or sexual harassment in the work place. Accomplished through crisis counseling, support groups, individual counseling and referrals. They have 2 new programs this year, Latino Services and Individual Counseling. The Center assists about 400 clients a year with all services remaining free. Funding is via individuals, corporations, faith communities, campus groups, grant funding, city, state,

and the Triangle United Way. Their biggest challenges remain space and the need for more volunteers.

Orange Alamance Prison ‐ Terry Johnston

The money provided by COTC (\$3000) is used to support the Chaplain's salary. There are about 180 men in this facility and the Chaplain creates and runs programs with a spiritual focus. Most programs center on self reflection. The Chaplain will be retiring soon (there is not a replacement set at this time).

Alliancefor AIDS Services ‐ Mark Pandick

AAS-C is a growing organization, expanding its services and outreach to those living with HIV/AIDS in the Triangle area. Their continuing emphasis is to empower people to help themselves and to deal with them holistically for medical, as well as corollary mental health, substance abuse, job skill, and nutritional issues. They are a leader in North Carolina and aspire to be a role-model for similar programs nationwide. AAS-C has a 2.1 million annual budget of which 12% goes for administrative costs and the remainder to program costs. The AAS-C is a Triangle United Way member of excellence. Key programs include emergency financial assistance, local food pantries, faith based ministry/care teams, counseling services, and free HIV testing clinics.

EL CentroLatino- Peggy Pratt

El Centro Latino serves the Latino community of OrangeCounty. Their offices are located above the IFC Community Services on Main St. in Carrboro. 2007 was the second year that El Centro Latino received Community Organization funds. They also applied for and received ABC funds in the past. Their expanded programs include:

Walk in Services ‐ Referral Information for housing, labor, childcare etc

Computer Classes to improve job skills.

ESL classes taught by Durham Tech

Help with Tax Preparation

After School Programs for children 5-11

Legal Program to assist with Immigration Issues

Last Year in the Triangle, more Latino students dropped out of high school than graduated

Freedom House- Cynthia Crittenden

Contacts at the Freedom House have been difficult to contact and arrange a meeting. Report coming soon. The entire committee got a report during our recent visit to Freedom House. Cynthia will give us any updates.

MLK University/Community Planning Corporation‐ Patricia Watts

The MLK, Jr. Memorial Banquet is the major fundraiser for the fun which has full 501 (c) (3) status. Scholarships are awarded to graduating high school seniors who have been nominated by their teachers for the sense of commitment to bettering the communities in which they live. Qualifications for the award include community service, financial need and acceptance at a school of higher learning. Each scholarship is for \$1000. When initiated, this program gave 3 scholarships (1993). That number is up to 21 this year. COTC donated \$2000 this year and is at the Angel Contributor (highest category of non-corporate givers)

Finance Report:

Vestry member Sandra McClaskey reported that the 2008 COTC Budget includes \$18,000 designated for Community Organizations and \$19,000 for Discretionary funding. This amount has not changed to date.

Global Requests:

The Global Missions Committee made a 2008 COTC budget request of \$15,500 but was granted a budget total of \$12,000 which was the same as the previous year. All of the parish's .7% toward the MDGs will be spent at the discretion of the Global Missions Committee on Christian fellowship directed toward three specific MDGs: primary education, health, and the empowerment of women. This process and amount has not changed to date.

Vestry Update:

Sandra and Jimmy reported that the Vestry would be undertaking a budget review in April and that their hope is that all current funding will be maintained.

Financial Requests/Recommendations:

Project Homestart – It was moved, seconded, and unanimously approved to remove Project Homestart from the list of Community Organizations (\$2000). Project Homestart is part of IFC and the money removed from the Community Organizations allotment will be replaced out of the SMC Discretionary Fund.

IAF– It was moved, seconded and unanimously approved to fulfill the request of the IAF for \$1200. For more information on IAF, please see their website at <http://www.industrialareasfoundation.org/iafabout/about.htm>.

Community Organizations Spending – In lieu of removing \$2000 from the Community Organizations, the process for which re-appropriating the money was discussed. Two approaches:

- 1) Give more to fewer organizations
- 2) Fill spot with a new organization (ARC as potential option)

Peggy was going to send out a document to aid in the allocation requests received to date. At a future meeting we would discuss and decide on the best process when issues like this arise.

Project Updates/New Business:

- * **Capital Campaign Request –** Regarding the inclusion of a percentage of the Capital Campaign it was moved, second and unanimously approved that the SMC will look into writing a letter (with the help of Bill Joyner) to ask that 1.4% of the total Capital Campaign goal go for outreach. Half of the 1.4% will be for Community Outreach with the other half for Global Outreach.
- * **Million Meals** - Cynthia Crittenden reported that the April 5th event will request volunteers through the Sunday bulletin. The youth group has donated their earnings from their recent pancake supper.
- * **CROP Walk –** Planning meeting on 2/28 was attended by Jimmy and Teddy. The 5K CROP Walk is scheduled for Sunday, April 13th. Information will be on the SMC table until the event.
- * **ABC Subcommittee –** Committee for the sale this year will include Christine Balderson, Nancy McGuffin, and Tony Hawkins.
- * **ABC Cleanup –** Sandra solicited volunteers for assistance being escorts for Social Ministry organizations for their 'free' or 'partial' shopping trips once the sale is complete.
- * **Burmese –** Notice in Bulletin on 3/2. Kim Williams is assisting with doctors appointments. The

father has a full time job at Finley Golf Course and the mother is still looking for work. She did a great job for Mark and would welcome any and all ironing and cleaning work.

- * **Micah** – Rolander Family Foundation renewed their generous gift of \$4500 for 2008. There will be a 'Bread for the World' program in June.
- * **Orange House** – Meeting on 3/13. All are invited.
- * **IFC** – Needs more food! Recent announcement in Crossings has increased recent donations.
- * **CITCA**– Requested funds for administrative and printing costs for the Easter pilgrimage again this year. SMC exec recommended that instead of using Discretionary Funds, that we support this effort by making announcements in Crossings and urging parishioners to support walkers and the entire effort. Donations can be made at the SM Table. Concerned that with no increased funds funding we need to be very watchful about our funding. Committee hopes this will better educate the parish on the work of CITCA. Committee very supportive of Jerry Markatos' efforts with CITCA.

Announcements: Ned Adams – Please update the SCM rosters with my email address as n_adams@tcdi.com. Thanks.

The meeting adjourned at 3:15 pm with The Lord's Prayer.

Ned Adams, Note Taker