

Habitat for Humanity of Merced County Board Meeting Minutes
September 26, 2016
Meeting location: St. Paul Lutheran Church Library
2916 N. McKee Rd. Merced
Meeting # 271

President (Administration Chair) Jan Sorge	Present
Vice President (Recruitment Chair) Michelle Paloutzian	Excused
Secretary (Public Relations) George Gallaher	Present
Treasurer Patti Houbein	Excused
ReStore Resource Chair Lyle Allen	Excused
Family Selection/Partnership Chair: Nellie Venegas	Present
Finance Chair Donna Hall	Excused
Site Selection Chair Don Spiva	Present
Member at Large Pete Delacruz	Absent
Member at Large Fred Pillsbury	Present
Member at Large Sean Arnold	Excused
Member at Large Ida Johnson	6-month sabbatical

6:32 p.m. Call to order, Jan Sorge President Jan noted that we have less than a quorum but seemed hopeful others might come later.

Guests: Helenca Alexander

Devotion: Jan Sorge. An atheist says, "Religion? A waste of time! A crutch for the weak! A cop-out!"

But think of why a crutch is useful. Without it, how would the patient with a broken ankle be able to walk? For that matter, consider walkers, braces, wheelchairs. Are they only a cop-out, a waste of time? Of course not, a fact even an atheist knows.

Is leaning on Jesus then a useless waste of time? God's people trust Him. They know they need the support He provides. They trust His wisdom and power no matter what circumstances confront them.

With St. Paul they confidently say, *I can do everything through him who gives me strength* (Philippians 4:13). Will confidence waver and weaken? Yes, because God's people are sinful humans. But Jesus remains strong, the firm crutch that will never fail.

Dear Lord, thank You for being my Help, my Support, my Strength. When I am weak, hold me and draw me closer to You. In Jesus Name. Amen.

Minutes: August minutes approved with spelling corrections.

Financial Report: George read Patti's written report.

I closed the bank accounts for Projects #5 & #6 and transferred their balances to Project #3 savings account. This will be reflected on the September financial statements.

As of September 23rd, Project #13 had not made a September payment. All other homeowners are current.

We received notification from the Department of Justice that we're authorized to conduct raffles for the period September 1, 2016 through August 31, 2017.

The FYE 6/30/16 tax returns have been filed.

Paid our stewardship invoice. The total this year was \$1,500 using the 3% of income option but no less than \$1,500. Without that option our bill would have been \$7,500.

Lyle has requested that the credit card limits be raised for Larry and Fred to \$2,000. Could this please be put to a vote and if approved, I'll take care of this when I return.

Fred moved and Nellie seconded raising credit card limits for Fred and Larry to \$2,000.00.

Motion carried with the provision that the motion be revisited at the next meeting or when another board member came to be in attendance during the remainder of this meeting.

Jan reported that her contact at the bank informed her that Aurora hadn't made a payment as yet for September but that she often made her payment later in the month.

Family Services: Nellie will follow-up with Aurora and try to get her into budgeting classes. We will work on setting up home visits at a later date. Jan will complete the paperwork on the Bravo's home. Jan wants Pete to deliver the deed to Isabel when it is ready. Need to make sure the Bravos understand about paying property taxes and homeowner insurance. Perhaps Pete can help with this.

Site Selection: Don Spiva, Site Selection chair looked at a home on East Santa Fe that may be promising. It is an older home and we may need to investigate lead paint and asbestos issues. People aren't returning our calls about lots for sale. Most land for sale is selling above appraised value and will not meet HUD requirements for our grant. Likewise, an acre lot in Winton that is within our price range is outside the geographic limits of the HUD grant.

Don also found out that the Redevelopment situation has changed and we will invite Jennifer Upson and her husband Patrick to the next Orientation so see if they qualify for a Habitat house. If they do, it would be possible for Kathy to sell the house to them.

Golf report: Don reported we have 42 sign-ups with the potential for more. Jan will make sure there are enough cookies for each player to have four. Will have pulled pork sandwiches. Need someone to observe the Ron Smith hole in one hole. Need more volunteers to help. Have bank people to collect money. Event should go well.

Public Relations: George reported that the newsletter will be revised and resubmitted to the printer.

Brush with Kindness: Fred reported that the old guys repaired a door and replaced siding on a home on S. R St. in Merced.

Church Relations: Jan reported that monthly article sent to all churches in Atwater and Merced.

Consignment: Los Banos will get back to Jan.

Parade AND U.C. Merced booth: Both events went well.

Recruitment: Michelle no report as she was absent.

ReStore Building: Gloria Keene will get back with Lyle about the ReStore building.

Meeting adjourned: at 7:18 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted: George Gallaher, Secretary

Habitat for Humanity of Merced County, Inc.
Monthly Board Meeting Sign-in Sept 26, 2016

- 1 George W. Galdieri
- 2 Don Spier
- 3 Nellie Venegas
- 4 Helena Alexander
- 5 FRED T. PILLSBURY
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Treasurer's Report for 9/26/16 Meeting

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September 19, 2016

Habitat for Humanity, Merced
P.O. Box 423
Atwater, CA 95301-0423
Attn: Fred Pillsbury

Dear Fred,

On behalf of Derrel's Mini Storage, Inc. I am pleased to inform you that we are able to continue the donation of your storage unit #1501 (12x30) at our 2425 S. Santa Fe location in Merced, CA. We are able to donate this until January 1, 2018.

If you wish to include storage protection on your unit, you will need to add the \$7 or \$8 fee to your monthly payment.

As a reminder:

- No bills are sent to non-profit customers or customers with donated units, so you are required to keep track of your paid-up date and will be responsible for any late fees that may apply.
- Your account is to remain current. If your account becomes delinquent, the donation will be revoked.
- If your donation has not yet expired but you no longer have a need for storage, please see the facility manager and fill out a vacate slip.
- If you wish to continue the use of your unit after the donation expiration date, please send a letter to the corporate office no later than November 2017. At that time, we will be reviewing our donation capacities and will do our best to continue to accommodate you and your organization in some way. Please include your facility location and unit number in the letter.

I hope that you have found your experience with Derrel's Mini Storage, Inc. enjoyable. If you have any questions, please contact me at (559) 224-9901 ext. 3106.

Sincerely,

Ashley Ferguson
Marketing Coordinator

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September 13, 2016

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF MERCED COUNTY,
INC.
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OUR FILE NUMBER: RF0006898

RE: Nonprofit Raffle Registration Confirmation

Dear Directors:

This will confirm that HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF MERCED COUNTY, INC. is registered with the Department of Justice under Raffle Registration Number RF0006898 and is authorized to conduct raffles in California, pursuant to the provisions of Penal Code section 320.5. The raffle registration year begins September 1 and expires on August 31. Your registration is valid from 09/01/2016 and will expire on 08/31/2017.

A new version of the Nonprofit Raffle Report (CT-NRP-2) form was implemented on October 18, 2012. This new form allows organizations to file one single aggregate report for all raffle activities conducted within the year the organization is registered. Please note, only one report must be submitted for the 2017 registration year which runs from September 1, 2016 through August 31, 2017. The report must be filed no later than October 1, 2017. Please visit the Attorney General's website for raffles at www.oag.ca.gov/charities/raffles for more information on the new reporting requirements, the updated Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's), and to download the new CT-NRP-2 form.

Registration does not imply endorsement.

Sincerely,

Staff Services Analyst
Registry of Charitable Trusts

For
KAMALA D. HARRIS
Attorney General

CT-708 Raffle Registration Confirmation