

Habitat for Humanity of Merced County
 Board of Directors Meeting # 158
 Gateway Community Church room A1, 353 E. Donna Dr., Merced
 February 12, 2006

President: Michelle Paloutzian	Present	Member-at-Large: Pat Shay	Present
Vice-President: George Gallaher	Present	Member-at-Large: Ed Jackson	Excused
Secretary: Vacant		Member-at-Large: David Heuberlin, CPA	Present
Treasurer: Hilda Miranda	Absent	Member-at-large: Fred Pillsbury	Present
Finance Chair: Patti Houbein	Present	Member-at-large: Fernando Bravo	Absent
Administrative Chair: Donna Hall	Present	Member-at-Large: Caitlyn Kennedy	Absent
Public Information Chair: Bill Sanford	Present	Member-at Large: Marry Ann Reynolds	Present
Volunteer Chair: Patti Houbein	Present	Legal Counsel: Jim Padron	
Church Relations Chair: Vacant		Westside Affiliate Chair: Richard Martorello	
Family Selection/Partnership Chair: Diane Bair	Present		
Fund Raising Chair: Vacant		Guest: Brian Maggi	
Construction Chair: Lyle Allen	Present		
Site Selection Chair: Jim Tolladay	Present		

I. 7:00 Call to order By President Paloutzian at 7:01 P.M.

II. Devotion by Jim Tolladay about Bible characters and their accomplishments considering their frailties and human shortcomings, and how every one can make a contribution.

III. Excused Absences: Ed Jackson

IV. Approve minutes of last meeting amended to reflect changing a mistyped last name and clarifying that the goals of our fundraising activities for the year have been established by the board. Moved by Fred Pillsbury. Seconded by David Heuberlin. Motion carried.

V. Treasurers Report

Hilda Miranda

VI. Committee Reports

A. Administration

Donna Hall/Bill Sanford

Bill passed around photos of "T" St. property that may be condemned by the city of Merced.

Talked about a seminar concerning non-profit organization management this Saturday; Michelle said the organization would pay the fee for participants from our board.

We have a listing of service organization contact people and can approach service clubs to speak about our vision and goals. Bill Sanford recently spoke to Atwater Rotary club. There is a list we can pursue Lyle volunteered to speak to organizations in the Merced Area and could use helpers when he speaks. We need someone to paint Buedina's house she has just undergone carpal tunnel surgery and her son moved away. Will look into getting Gateway Church do this as

part of their Saturday service ministry.

B. Finance

Patti Houbein

C. Public Information

Bill Sanford

1. Merced Sun-Star is devoting some space to non profit public service organizations.

D. Fundraising

Pat Shay

1. Play house we need some more planning about selling tickets number of play houses etc. Have drawing at annual meeting. Start selling tickets mid-summer.
2. Quilt, tickets, sales Check on raffle or drawing purchase tickets.
3. Stay at Home Tea, postage: By March 26th the materials will be in the mail.
Fred Pillsbury moved seconded by Lyle Allen to spend up to \$200 for postage for the stay at home tea. Motion passed.

E. Family Selection

Diane Bair

Received an e-mail about a family replied that we will be selecting families in the future when a home is closer to being completed.

F. Family Partnership

Diane Bair

Need to work on mortgage payments. One family seems to be consistently late with their mortgage payments.

Twin bed was donated to a family. Diane passed around a newspaper article stating that Anita Helliam of Modesto is nominated for woman of the year in Stanislaus County. Diane also sent Anita a nice note congratulating her on the nomination.

The linoleum for Isabel's house is of different colors. Board approved \$200 to install the vinyl flooring. Fred moved to pay for installing the linoleum, and for adding the \$200 to the cost of the house to be reflected in the mortgage. Pat Shay Seconded. Motion carried.

1. Mortgage tracking:

The organization needs to investigate a better method of tracking Mortgage payments

G. Site Selection

Jim Tolladay

The city of Merced will be holding hearings on the re-use of mini-park sell land one of the options is to sell the property to use as low income housing. Lyle and Jim will attend the hearings and lobby for the low income housing option.

H. Building

Lyle Allen

Lyle will store the Habitat for Humanity building supply and tool trailer at Pat Shay's house. Lyle will make a presentation on the nuts and bolts of rehabilitating a house at a future board meeting. There are several important considerations that must be studied and understood before undertaking a rehabilitation project. Our organization cannot afford to house a family while their home is being rehabilitated. We would do such a job

in pieces when a family remained in the home.

I. Volunteers

Patti Houbein

1. Database member contact Patti will combine the volunteer lists. She will report back on her results and the board will decide how to proceed with the volunteer list at that point.
2. Time Sheets, Board member hours, we will use the forms and turn them in as they are completed to the database keeper. We'll put the form on the Habitat website for easy access by board members.
3. Paring down the mailing list was discussed. The current policy concerning mailing list additions and deletions will be retained.

J. Church Relations

K. Nominating

Bill Sanford

Old Business

L. Habitat phone line, voice mail cost:

George

Will continue to pursue the cost of a voice mail box from the phone co.

M. Gateway Church

Donna & Dave

Gateway Church is interested in underwriting an entire home \$150,000 to \$200,00. Home may be occupied by a member of their church who meets our qualification standards. We may need to present our procedures to their board. They will start a commitment drive and then accumulate funds. They can get discounts and donations because of their large membership which creates a lot of leverage. Maybe this proposed project would lead to other churches doing something similar. David and Donna also talked about a ReStore with the pastor from gateway. A partnership with Gateway Church could generate a significant dollar amount without any third party involvement. The organization may need to choose a building site that is readily visible to the Gateway community. We may generate enough funds to build a duplex.

Extra

Bill Sanford donated a woman's tee shirt for a door prize.

Adjournment: Donna Hall moved to adjourn at 8:45 P.M. Jim Tolladay seconded and the motion passed.