

**Habitat for Humanity of Merced County**  
**Minutes November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2009 Meeting #190**  
**Holy Cross Lutheran Church**

President: Michelle Paloutzian excused  
Secretary: Genny M Mesa excused  
Volunteer/Finance Chair:  
Public Information Chair: Bill Sanford present  
Family Selection/Partnership: Pete Delacruz present  
Construction Chair: Lyle Allen present  
Member at Large: Fred Pillsbury present

Vice President: George Gallaher present  
Treasurer: Patti Houbein present  
Administrative Chair: Donna Hall present  
Church Relations Chair: Jan Sorge present  
Site Selection Chair; Jim Tolladay present  
Member at Large: Diane Bair excused  
Member at Large: Hilda Miranda excused

MSC: Motion, second, carried

**Call to order:**

7:01 P.M. by Vice President George Gallaher.

A quorum was present.

**Minutes:**

Minutes for October were moved for approval without correction by Bill Sanford  
Seconded Jan Sorge. Motion carried.

**Devotion:**

Bill Sanford: *"9-11 Response of Gander"* A story about a city in Newfoundland whose residents opened their doors and hearts to diverted airline passengers on September 11, 2001.

**Treasurer's Report**

Patti Houbein distributed a report dated June 30, 2009. Patti explained that all bank statements will be sent to the PO Box. She also stated that a \$7.00 per month fee would be levied if the organization chooses to have internet access to the Accounts. Many present thought the fee might be worth more than the expenditure of effort finding required financial data. Motion to accept the treasurer's report of June 30, 2009 was moved by Jim Tolladay, and seconded by Fred Pillsbury. Motion carried.

**Committee Reports:**

**Administration:**

Bill Sanford reported the receipt of \$170.00 proceeds of the Annual Dinner raffle. Jan Sorge suggested that advertising for future dinners provide for any attendees who wish to donate raffle items be allowed to do so. Jim Tolladay observed that the prizes probably cost more than the amount collected.

Under date of 11/04/2009, James Anderson, Supervising Property Appraiser, County-Assessed Properties Division, State Board of Equalization, wrote saying in part: "When you amended your Article 7 of your Articles of Incorporation you provided language that meets the requirements for the dissolution clause but you deleted the first part of the Article which included the required dedication clause. Your articles must include both . .

. " To remedy the deficiency Bill moved that we amend Article seven by adding this text at the beginning: "The property owned by this organization is irrevocably dedicated to charitable purposes." The motion was seconded and carried unanimously. Bill will secure the signatures of our president and secretary and proceed to file the required document with the Business Programs Division of the office of Secretary of State. We must remit a \$30 filing fee.

**Public Information:**

Bill Sanford reported that he is waiting for standing walls before completing the next newsletter.

**Construction Report:**

Lyle Allen reported that the Valley Community High School will start laying lines for the foundation Thursday and will begin to trench the foundation on Friday. Lyle Allen is in the process of contacting Fred Hightower to arrange for framing of the current home. Lyle is also working to find someone to lay the waste lines.

**Site Selection:**

No Report

**Family Selection Report:**

Pete Delacruz reported that he and Lyle met with the partner family for the current build to explain the partnering process in detail. Formal motion by Jan Sorge, seconded by Jim Tolladay, to approve Concepïon Madrid as the newest partner family subject to a final review by Michelle of the paperwork and the family's agreement to attend budgeting classes at Gateway Church. Motion carried. Pete will deliver the paperwork to Michelle and Donna will give Michelle information about the budgeting class.

**Fundraising Report:**

No report

**Church Relations Report:**

Jan Sorge will include any photos of construction with information for church bulletins.

**Volunteers Report:**

No report

**Nomination Committee Report:**

George Gallaher reported that Bill Sanford has found a willing recruit: Pastor Ying Yang, 1620 E. 27th St., Merced, CA 95340, cell phone: 414/721-8301

[UMCYing@sbcglobal.net](mailto:UMCYing@sbcglobal.net).

Bill moved with a second from Lyle Allen to nominate Pastor Ying Yang as a director and a member of the class of 2010. Motion carried. Bill suggested that we all gently twist the arms of associates in order to fill the board and committee chair vacancies.

**General:**

Jan Sorge needs help decorating the Habitat for Humanity Christmas tree at the courthouse museum on Sunday November 29<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm. Jan has asked for access to an electrical outlet and will bring all the necessary equipment and supplies. Jan will E-Mail the board as a reminder before the event,

Donna will report to Michelle and then to the board in December on the location of our January through June meetings for 2010. The first Choice is First Baptist Church in Merced. If that facility is unavailable than St. Luke's or Gateway are alternatives.

The board, by assent, chose January 9, 2010 as the date for the annual retreat. Bill Sanford will contact the United Methodist Church in Livingston to secure a reservation for the event. Board members are encouraged to forward topics for discussion to Michelle well before the event.

**Adjournment:**

Jan moved to adjourn, seconded b y Pete. Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted by George Gallaher for Genny Mesa