

Habitat for Humanity of Merced County
Minutes of July 10, 2012
Meeting No. 222
Meeting location: St. Paul Lutheran Church Library

President: Michelle Paluoutzian, present
present

Church Relations Chair: Jan Sorge,

Vice President/Public Information Chair: George Gallaher, present Family

Selection/Partnership:

Administration Chair, Donna Hall, present

Member at Large: Pete Delacruz, present

Construction Chair, Lyle Allen, present

Member at Large: Fred Pillsbury, present

Treasurer/Finance Chair: Patti Houbein, present
present

Member at Large: Sherry Boyer:

Volunteer Chair: Jenny Adamson, present
present

Member at Large: Nelly Venegas:

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Michelle Paloutzian.

Inspiration comes in many forms. An e-mail read by Fred described the night a Marine spent at the deathbed of an old man who thought the Marine was his son. After his demise, the Marine learned the man was the person he was to inform of his son's death. God was kind to both of them.

Minutes: Fred moved and Jan seconded accepting the June 12 minutes as presented. Motion passed.

Administration: Danna Hall resigned as Board Member to attend law school. She requested being kept on our e-mail list, which was enthusiastically granted.

Financial report: Patti announced that everyone is up-to-date on payments.

Committee reports:

Public Information: is looking for a person to write and send contribution acknowledgements Bill Sanford will take assist in the recruitment process . Michelle discussed looking ahead and finding the next property, and considered Jim Toliday as a source. Lyle said the Redevelopment Agency is gone, but that we can start building on our 8th st property while we look for future building sites. Someone in Los Banos took Daniel Aimsley's place. Patti announced we need to do some serious fundraising, Jan stated that she is working with local Lutheran churches on the possibility of a *Thrivent Build*. Jennifer would like permission to do more booths at local events. Taud Baugewell of the Restore in Sacramento is going to be a Guest Speaker for the Annual Dinner meeting. Monday, October 1st is the World Habitat Day Celebration. We will celebrate on Saturday, September 29th starting at 1pm on

Construction: Lyle announced that the foundations (trenches and rebar) are inspected and approved, the pour is being scheduled, and Daniel Boris is going to frame the house. Nelly

advised that after the house is framed we'll need lots of volunteers.

Volunteers: Jennifer announced that there were 45,000 people at the 4th of July event in Atwater. Our booth made \$60 on t-shirts, signed up 16 volunteers, and handed out over 150 brochures. One of the volunteers is Benjamin Perez of Local 393 AFL-CIO. He spoke at the board meeting and encouraged us to use the very eager members of Local 393. Jan suggested he coordinate with Jennifer, to which he agreed, giving Jennifer his card. Apparently, the members of the AFL/CIO are committed to helping disabled and low income people. Jennifer spoke of a volunteer who previously held a contractor's license.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30pm
Submitted by Jenny Adamson.