ST. BERNARD PARISH

HUMAN NEEDS COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, April 11, 2023 @ 1:00-2:15 p.m., Higgins Hall

WELCOME – Prayer led by Georgine Jacobs.

Attendance: Jill Hilbert, JoAnn Wagner-Novak, Jan Clauss, Barb Roberts, Craig Wood, Laura Angle, JoAnna Richard, Georgine Jacobs

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: February 2023. Note the correction of Jan Clauss spelling. Moved by Craig Wood to approve, seconded by JoAnn Wagner-Novak. Motion Approved.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Snack Pack Update – Georgine provided update of 39-40 meals delivered per week with 11 to Elm Lawn, 13 to Northside and 16 to Kromrey. The survey conducted by the Snack Pack committee did not yield enough results (20 of 300) to draw any conclusions or trends. However, the committee will reduce the amount of canned goods to lighten the pack and add additional fresh items such as clementines, and snack-like foods.

The program is currently 50% by Second Harvest. There was a discussion about purchasing some items from Costco which may provide additional convenience and choices.

- B. Luke House and Multi-Cultural Center- Jill Hilbert provided update for MCC. They have reduced the meals by 50% due to participation. They are now making 2 pans of meatloaf and 15 lbs. of mashed potatoes. Georgine reported Kevin's update on the Luke House. Participant numbers are down slightly. Kevin has an additional volunteer to help with food distribution.
- **C. Easter and Prayer Card Mailing for Seniors-** Georgine provided an update that approximately 220 cards were sent out and were well received. Next year we will make a special effort to be sure the word puzzle pages get to Barb Harrington prior to the mailing. Georgine contacted her a day late.
- **D. MOM Collection** Barb Roberts provided update that the Parish collected 675 lbs. of food. There was more interest in collecting monetary donations. Checks should be made out to MOM and cash donations will be collected and secured by the committee. Signs on easels will be utilized next year as well as the collection van.

Barb also announced that MOM will change their name later this spring!

NEW BUSINESS

- **A. Mother's Day Rose Sale Planning –** Georgine offered the following steps (as well as a handout) and advice for the Mother's Day Rose Sale:
 - 400 Roses were ordered (200 red & 200 assorted)
 - Coordinators: Barb Roberts and Jan Klauss
 - Contact Susanna Herro for delivery time
 - Contact Tom Theis- pails, tables, etc.
 - Contact Ellen for Bulletin Announcements and Flock Note
 - Contact Barb H. about change bills, aprons, and money box

- Collect and sanitize pails prior to using them.
- Receive Delivery Saturday, May 13
- Prep Roses May 13th before Mass
- Sell and clean up after 5:00 pm Mass Jan Claus.
- Sell at 8:00 Mass Georgine.
- Sell at 10:30 Mass Barb, Clean-up, count and return money to office, set aside change bills.
- Arrangements for leftover roses to be coordinated with Kevin L. for Nursing Homes.

B. Dad's Diaper Drive Day – Father's Day- June 17/18 for Babies and Beyond.

Coordinator: JoAnna Richard will lead this effort and solicit volunteers and PR materials to advance the effort and cleverly use baby cribs and playpens for the collection. Size 6 is the most needed size diaper.

C. Review and Update calendar. The times and dates were discussed from updated hand-out. (attached)

PRAYER & ADJOURN: Georgine led prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 2:05.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 9, 2023–1:00 p.m.