

Human Concerns Committee Meeting Minutes
October 4, 2011

Present were; Julie Schuller, Mary Janowak, Kathleen Rave, Tim Kolb, Peggy Fahl, Debbie Wakefield, Jim Axt, Helen Ramon, Mark Rye.

1. Opening prayer/faith sharing.
2. Hearts for Haiti Performance. Approx. 250 people attended the event, which was very dynamic and successful. The night at the SLW Center was the group's last performance. Mary reported that the exact amount raised has not been determined yet, however she should have those numbers for the next HC meeting.
3. Twinning Parish Decision Criteria and Process. We continue to consider two existing relationships for twinning, however we are also not limited to those two. A handout was distributed outlining the numerous pieces of information to gather and understand to best make a decision.
A subcommittee will need to be formed to discuss the twinning relationship due to the time it will entail. There also needs to be an individual who would have the interest and passion to put time and effort into this project. It is necessary to have strong leadership and a strong committee for this to work. Mary identified that this needs to be parishioner led and not staff driven.
Information gathered will be presented to a CLN in March. Other committees need to provide insight and feedback. The Parish Council will also need to give feedback. Discussed possibly involving individuals at Prince of Peace as well as getting the word out via the bulletin or announcements. Mark Rye will discuss the idea at the Parish Council meeting on this date and follow up with the HC committee next week thru an e-mail.
4. Justice Market. Kathleen reported that the Justice Market will be held after Masses on Oct. 29th and 30th. Numerous vendors will be present including; Four Corners of the World, a Dominican Sisters group, Authentic Journeys, Go Earth, Youth for Haiti, Working Boys Center , to name a few. An announcement will be coming in the bulletin.
5. Stewardship Committee Request for Volunteers. Volunteers are needed at Masses Nov. 12th and 13th to hold baskets for the commitment forms. The following volunteered: Peggy Fahl for 7:30 am, Jim Axt for 9 am Julie Schuller for 11, and Kathleen Rave for Sat. 4:30 Mass.
6. Committee Guideline Changes. Human Concerns and Outreach. Julie reported that the highlighted areas in the guidelines were revised based on discussion at the last HC meeting. The main changes involve Section 4, # 4-10. The group agreed that the revisions accurately reflect the decisions of the HC Committee. The new guidelines are approved. Julie will submit through appropriate channels within the Parish.

7. Liaison Relationship Structure. In #9, it was identified that there needs to be contact with the ministries at least 2x/year. Discussed idea of briefly reporting on 3 different ministries at each HC meeting.

8. Strategic Planning Process Update. Julie reported we need to extend our plan thru 2015. Sr. Nelda has volunteered to be our Communications Officer. We discussed the recognition of ministry leaders. We agreed that the dinner event needs to be streamlined as the last event was too long. Will schedule another event for 2012 and identify specific venue of event. Also discussed need to work with the ministry leaders to work on their own website page.

9. Parish Council Liaison Report. Summary presented by Mark Rye.

Submitted by: Debbie Wakefield.