

FAITH IN ACTION  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
JUNE 25, 2020

Members present: AJ Moosbrugger, Carol Johnson, Lynn Knutson, and Jeremy Wahlstrom

Absent: Kelly Kelly, Troy Stafford, Cyndi Reed, and Diane Krejci

Lynn called the meeting to order in Kasson's North Park.

**Secretary Report:** Review/Approve

**Treasurer Report:** Review/Approve

**Coordinator Report:** Lynn reported that Cyndi is currently ok with finding volunteers to fill most client requests. There have been 3-4 new requests for light house cleaning. Finding volunteers to fill that need continues to be a problem.

**Old Business:**

- Jim continues to work with Cyndi on the distribution of the PPP loan funds for her salary. He will keep an eye on things to ensure that everything is documented and all reports are completed.
- Rochester Area Foundation funded \$2600 of the \$4000 request from FIA.
- The request to the Dodge Center Foundation was submitted. That group hasn't met do to the Covid 19 situation. They may meet in July. We are awaiting word from them.
- Lynn has been in communication with Dan Conway of SE MN Area Agency on Aging regarding the FIA funding request. Dan has encouraged him to rework the \$6000 grant request and resubmit.
- Lynn and Troy will meet before the July board meeting to get a clearer understanding of FIA insurance coverage regarding coverage for volunteer drivers and costs.
- Jeremy brought the Dodge Center Messenger with the article focusing on FIA's financial situation due to cancellation of our fundraising opportunities and requesting community members to consider making a donation to FIA. There was discussion about submitting the article to churches for inclusion in newsletters. It was decided not to make that request at this time. Jeremy will contact Cyndi for the names of some clients and volunteers who might be willing to comment on their involvement with FIA. Jeremy will put the comments together in an article for the Messenger focusing on engaging both new possible clients and volunteers.

**New Business:**

- We continued the discussion of the Soup and Pie Dinner. AJ stated that the K of C members are planning to make wild rice soup again and will donate a similar amount as in the past. At this time it is difficult to make decisions with so many unanswered questions – Will the church be open for our use of the kitchen? Would we serve “drive by” soup? What about home made pie? What would really be safe? We have a few months before a decision has to be made so we will include the dinner on our next agenda.
- We reviewed and discussed the FIA financial history that Lynn provided. Comparing 2017 to 2019, the number of services decreased by 79 services and staff hours increased by 545 hours. There was much discussion regarding efficiency. One option was to set specific “office hours.” It was clearly noted that Cyndi must be part of discussions regarding changes in how we connect with clients and volunteers and vice versa. Lynn will meet with Cyndi to gather some input. We will continue the discussion at our next meeting.
- We were all encouraged to continue to be alert to possible additional revenue options.

The meeting adjourned at 6:25.

**Next Meeting – July 23 at North Park in Kasson. (by the west pavilion)**