Jamaican Mission Program Board of Directors Meeting November 16, 2010

Directors Present: Lyndi Degenhardt, Dave Kepler, Bryan Myers, Nichole Myers, Cindy Olson, Linda Wanless, and Rob Wanless.

Guests Present: Carter Degenhardt, Erin Linscheid, Ainsley Myers, Amy Pepich, Hannah Pepich, Sue Rynes, Barb Smith, Dale Wallace, Jennifer Wallace, Arilyn Wallace, Ashton Wallace, and Jevan Wallace.

Agenda

- Call Meeting To Order
- Approval of the October 19, 2010 Meeting Minutes
- Treasurer's Report
- Business
 - Waffle Supper
 - o Bill Payment
 - 2011 Booked Volunteers
 - Transportation in Jamaica
 - Westhaven Projects
 - Westhaven Update
 - Vacation Days
- Next Meeting Information
- Adjourn
- **1. Call Meeting to Order:** President Bryan Myers called the meeting to order at 7:20 PM. He thanked Linda and Rob Wanless for hosting this evening's meeting and for making a delicious dinner.
- 2. Approval of the October 19, 2010 Meeting Minutes: A motion was made by Dave Kepler and was seconded by Linda Wanless to approve the October 19, 2010 meeting minutes. All in favor, motion carried.
- 3. Treasurer's Report: Dave Kepler, Treasurer, presented the following Treasurer's Report:

Starting Balance (10.19.10): \$2861.63

Deposits: \$7864.50 (Silent Auction payments, Directed Donations)

Withdrawals: \$6781.86 (Directed Donation payments, Shopping News Payment)

Ending Balance (10.21.10): \$3944.27

Pending Activity:

Deposits: \$2655.25 (Directed Donation, Waffle Supper Proceeds)

Withdrawals: \$1925 (Directed Donation payment)

A motion was made by Lyndi Degenhardt and was seconded by Cindy Olson to approve the Treasurer's Report as reviewed. All in favor, motion carried.

4. Business

- a. **Waffle Supper** The Waffle Supper was another success! Thank you to everyone for your time staffing the event. Estimated proceeds for the silent auction were \$1115 and proceeds for the supper itself were \$450. All agreed that this is a good fundraiser to continue doing in the future.
- b. **Bill Payment –** A bill was submitted from the Richland Observer for payment of advertising.
- c. 2011 Booked Volunteers
 - i. Volunteers that have booked their trip: 20
 - 1. Myers (2)
 - 2. Wanek (2)
 - 3. Wallace (2)
 - 4. Wanless (2)
 - 5. Grunwald (2)
 - 6. Degenhardt (1)
 - 7. Smith (1)
 - 8. Olson (1)
 - 9. Walton (1)
 - 10. Pepich (2)
 - 11. Rynes (1)
 - 12. Parkhurst (1)
 - 13. Kepler (1)
 - 14. Linschied (1)
- d. **Transportation in Jamaica** Bryan Myers has negotiated transportation rates with Jermaine. Two buses will be used. We will have Jermaine for seven days (Wednesday through Tuesday) and a secondary driver for five days (Thursday through Monday). The rate for the transportation is \$1200. A motion was made by Bryan Myers and seconded by Rob Wanless to approve the transportation expense as reviewed. All in favor, motion carried.
- e. **Westhaven Projects** Bryan Myers reported that he has spoken with Jeff Peterson. Jeff has indicted that the Valmark group has purchased the majority of the supplies for Ms. Grant's office. He hopes that the Valmark group will be able to complete the block work for the office. Jeff will be returning home December 8th. Bryan Myers will be in touch with him after then to firm up what our work will entail. At this time, it appears JMP will be framing the interior walls, installing paneling, painting, tiling the floor, running electric, and roofing to match the rest of the buildings on the campus. As in previous years, JMP prefers that we complete a larger project. In order to do so, we may have to purchase tile and paint.

In addition to Ms. Grant's office, Jeff has indicated he wants to finish the 5th cottage this year. If JMP completes the office, we may work on the cottage.

Since our supply expenses will be minimal this year, Bryan Myers suggested hiring several Jamaican laborers to further our work at Westhaven. Nozzie's fee is \$50 per day. Three other laborers including Mr. Thomas (\$50 per day), Andrew (\$40 per day), and Jeff (\$40) were suggested by Jeff Peterson. This pay scale works out to be an expense of \$600. A motion was made by Linda Wanless and seconded by Dave Kepler to approve the labor expense not to exceed \$600 as described. All in favor, motion carried.

Further supply expenses may be incurred if JMP does work on the 5th cottage. Discussion was held and it appears that JMP would be able to spend about \$1000 on such expenses. This expense will be determined while in Jamaica.

f. Westhaven Update – Linda Wanless spoke with Ms. Grant. Ms. Grant reported that after the recent tropical storms, the road conditions in the area are poor. Ms. Grant noted that Long Hill is "bad" and the roads from Lethe Crossing to Westhaven are also "bad." She noted that mud has temporarily filled in potholes, but that will only last a short time. Concerns were noted regarding route to Westhaven. Bryan Myers assured the volunteers that there is another way to Westhaven via Anchovy.

Linda reported about several children. Franklyn Burnett was briefly in the hospital, but is now back home at Westhaven. Frankie was in a "bad mood" last week and was therefore in trouble often. Shontel was also in trouble recently.

Linda inquired of Ms. Grant what supplies were needed this year. Ms. Grant indicated that money is most needed. Several JMP volunteers inquired if we could donate to Westhaven. Bryan Myers indicated that there are many 501c3 implications for donating to a foreign entity. However, a donation could be made to Mission Jamaica for this purpose. This is a discussion to be held at a later date once our expenses are set for this year. Other items that are needed at Westhaven are lotion, wipes, soap, tie on or snap on bibs. Ms. Grant specifically requested that no toys be brought.

Cindy Olson indicated she would speak with Pat regarding more bibs. Cindy also showed a sample of the dresses that the ladies at Our House were making for us to take down. All agreed this was a wonderful donation to Westhaven. Bryan Myers reminded the volunteers that JMP will pay the baggage fees for supply bags.

- g. **Vacation Days** Discussion was held regarding this year's vacation days. It appears that the group would like to do another trip to Negril. Bryan Myers noted that we have a couple options with Negril that will be discussed in further detail at the December meeting.
- **h. Next Meeting Information:** The next JMP meeting is scheduled for:

Tuesday, December 21, 2010 At 6:30 PM Hosted by Terry and Jenna Sebranek

5. Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned by Bryan Myers at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nichole Myers
Jamaican Mission Program Secretary