Jamaican Mission Program Board of Directors Meeting December 23, 2008

Directors Present: Jenna Gander-Sebranek, Bryan Myers, Nichole Myers, Micah Nee-Piasecki, Cindy Olson, Lindsey Olson, and Terry Sebranek.

Guests Present: Nancy Degner.

Agenda:

- Call Meeting to Order
- Approval of the November 18, 2008 Meeting Minutes
- Treasurer's Report
- Business
 - Trip Payment Finalized
 - o Airline
 - Airport Hotel
 - Ground Transportation in Jamaica
 - Project
 - Water Jug
 - Worship at Faith Chapel
 - Work Hours
 - Play Days
- Agenda Suggestions for January Meeting
- Next Meeting Information
- Adjourn
- 1. Call Meeting to Order: The December 23, 2008 Jamaican Mission Program (JMP) Board of Director's meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by JMP President Bryan Myers. Bryan thanked Nancy Degner for hosting tonight's meeting and providing us with a wonderful supper.
- 2. Approval of the November 18, 2008 Meeting Minutes: Terry noted that some of the dates in the Treasurer's Report need to be updated. Nichole Myers indicated she would make those corrections. A motion was made by Cindy Olson and was seconded by Micah Nee-Piasecki to approve the amended November 18, 2008 meeting minutes. All in favor, motion carried.
- 3. Treasurer's Report: Terry Sebranek distributed the November Treasurer's Report.

Opening Balance – November 1: \$5,102.88

Withdrawals/Checks Written: \$11,355.08 (Air & Hotel payments)

Deposit: \$12,000.98 (Trip Payments)

Ending Balance as of November 20: \$5102.88

A motion was made by Lindsey Olson and was seconded by Jenna Gander-Sebranek to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted. All in favor, motion carried.

4. Business

- a. Trip Payment Finalized: The final trip payment has been received by Sunset Beach Resort.
 Bryan Myers indicated that travelers will not receive individual vouchers since we are staying under a group contract.
- b. Airline: Bryan Myers indicated that we have received our e-ticket packets from Linda Kutzke. He noted that US Air charges \$15 for the first checked bag and \$25 for a second bag, per person. Volunteers were reminded that they are responsible for the expense of their own baggage but if they bring a bag of supplies, JMP will pay for that bag.

Airport Hotel: The stay in Chicago on January 13 has been confirmed for Terry and Jenna (Rob and Linda), Bryan and Nichole, Cindy (Lindsey and Michah), and Kathy (Theresa and Lyndi).

If you have any questions, contact Linda directly at 920-988-3212.

- c. Ground Transportation in Jamaica: Bryan spoke with Douglas regarding transportation. Douglas' rates are \$20 per person, per day, which totals \$350 per day, or \$1650 for the entire stay. Bryan asked the Board if they agreed that we should attempt to seek alternate transportation. Bryan indicated that he felt we could get this expense down to \$600 or \$700. The Board agreed that a more reasonable expense for us would be no more than \$1000. All Board members present agreed that Bryan should seek an alternative to Douglas. Bryan will research and report at the January meeting.
- d. *Project:* Bryan has been in touch with the Westhaven Board of Directors who have indicated that they would most like the 5th cottage to be worked on. It is felt that our group would be able to frame up the interior walls and hang paneling inside. This are two projects that should take 2 ½ days for a 6 to 7 us. The remainder of the volunteers will work wit the children. Bryan indicated that the 2x4s are already on site and we will arrange to have the paneling delivered. This project is expected to cost approximately \$2,800.

Bryan went on to add that Nazi is willing to work as our foreman. His rates are \$50 US per day. All Board members present agreed that we will hire Nazi to assist us.

Bryan asked that a veteran volunteer coordinate those who are going to work in the cottages with the children. Terry Sebranek immediately volunteered Linda Wanless to be our leader. A motion was made by Jenna Gander-Sebranek and was seconded by Bryan Myers to have Linda be our team leader for the children, if she agrees to.

Discussion was held regarding the tools we will need to bring for our project. Bryan indicated that volunteers should bring work gloves, hammer, pencils, tool belt, and tape measure. If anything else comes up, he will notify everyone.

- e. Water Jug: Bryan indicated that there is not a jug available for us to use, so everyone should plan to bring their own water bottles.
- f. Worship at Faith Chapel: We are planning an optional worship at Faith Chapel on Sunday. It is uncertain if there will be a Mission Jamaica team there or not.
- g. Work Hours:

Breakfast: 7 AM

Leave Resort: 8 AM

To Westhaven: 9 AM Leave Westhaven: 4 PM Return to Resort: 5 PM

h. Play Days: Discussion was held about what activities we might do on our play days. A suggestion of YS Falls or a Blue Mountain bike tour were mentioned. This is something we will determine once in Jamaica. It was also discussed that we should make reservations for group suppers upon arrival at Sunset Beach. All agreed that we would do so.

Bryan agreed to put together a summary sheet for activities with rough costs for everyone to review.

5. Next Meeting Information: The next JMP meeting is scheduled for:

Tuesday, January 6, 2009 6:30 PM Meeting At Cindy Olson's Home

- 6. Future Agenda Items:
 - a. Last Minute Travel Questions
 - b. Transportation Decision
 - c. Project Discussion
 - d. Trip Itinerary
 - e. Play Days Information
- 7. Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned by Bryan Myers at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nichole Myers

Jamaican Mission Program Secretary