Jamaican Mission Program Board of Directors Meeting September 21, 2010

Directors Present: Bryan Myers, Nichole Myers, Cindy Olson, Linda Wanless and Rob Wanless.

Guests Present: Lee Barreau, Jennifer Hartwell, Orion Hartwell, Erin Linscheid, Ainsley Myers, Amy Pepich, Hannah Pepich, Sue Rynes, Doug Smith, Kathy Wahl, Dale Wallace, Jen Wallace, Jevan Wallace, Ashton Wallace and Arilyn Wallace.

Agenda

- Call Meeting To Order
- Approval of the September 21, 2010 Meeting Minutes
- Treasurer's Report
- Business
 - County Fair Booth
 - Group Introductions
 - Night Parade
 - Waffle Supper
 - o 2011 Trip
- Next Meeting Information
- Adjourn
- **1. Call Meeting to Order:** President Bryan Myers called the meeting to order at 7:15 PM. He thanked Nichole Myers for making a great dinner.
- 2. Approval of the August 17, 2010 Meeting Minutes: A motion was made by Linda Wanless and was seconded by Rob Wanless to approve the August 17, 2010 meeting minutes. All in favor, motion carried.
- **3. Treasurer's Report:** Dave Kepler, Treasurer, was not able to attend this evening's meeting but did submit the Treasurer's report for August. There were two deposits and one check written. The following is the official monthly statement:

Starting Balance (8.2.10): \$2097.95

Deposits \$85.00 (Casual For a Cause)

\$300.00 (Private Donation)

Withdrawals: \$334.75 (Fairbooth Liability Insurance)

Ending Balance (8.31.10): \$2148.20

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

4. Business

a. County Fair Booth

i. Fair Booth Financials:

Expenses: \$2420 Income: \$3090 Profit: \$670

- ii. Discussion We had a lot of traffic and definetly got noticed by others other than specifically our friends and families. The food was good. We virtually sold out of pork and soda. Bryan felt that the profit was directly due to the soda and silent auction proceeds. Extensive discussion was held regarding the work it took to set up, run and break down the booth. Discussion was also held regarding doing other events such as Star Spangled Celebration in June.
- **iii.** Would we do it again? If we were to do it again, we would eliminate the meal and do jerk pork on a stick. More people would need to commit to pre-arranged shifts. This is too much work for a few members to take on. More discussion can be held about this come spring 2011.
- iv. A motion was made by Linda Wanless and seconded by Cindy Olson to donate \$100 to the Blue River Fired Department for use of their tent. A thank you note should be sent to Freestone Electric for use of their cords. A motion was made by Linda Wanless and seconded by Cindy Olson to put an ad in the paper thanking Coops Electric for his prompt help powering our booth.
- **b. Introduction** Introductions were made for all the guests present.
- **c. Parade** It has been decided that JMP will not have a float for the night parade this year. We feel that we have gotten enough exposure and publicity for the time being.
- **d.** Waffle Supper The Supper will be November 5th at the Richland Community Center. We will be serving waffles from 5pm to 7pm. The talk will begin at 7pm. Final details will be determined at the October meeting. All JMP members and interested participants should begin collecting donations for the silent auction as soon as possible.

e. 2011 Trip -

- i. Trip outline: Tuesday Evening (1-11) Carpool to Milwaukee, stay at Park & Fly hotel. Wednesday (1-12) This day is mostly travel. Settle in at Sunset Beach. Eat supper together and prepare for work. Thursday (1-13) Breakfast at 7AM, pack lunch and snacks from buffet. Leave hotel by 8:30 or 9 AM. Upon arrival, plan for orientation with Ms. Grant. Work until 3 or 4 PM. Return to the hotel. Friday (1-14) Work day, same schedule as Thursday. Saturday (1-15) Work day, same schedule as Friday. Plan for thank you talk at end of the day with the staff, kids and Ms. Grant. This day may end earlier depending upon tasks completed. Sunday (1-16) Service at Faith Chapel. Leave hotel around 9AM. Take functional children and attend Faith Chapel service. Mission Jamaica should be there too. Return to hotel 2PM or so. Rest of day to play. Monday (1-17) Vacation Day. Tuesday (1-18) Vacation Day. Wednesday (1-19) Travel day. Return home.
- ii. What you can do at Westhaven Bryan Myers is the coordinator for construction projects and Linda Wanless suggests activities for the children. It is very busy and can be chaotic at Westhaven. If you need direction, ask Bryan, Linda, or any of the returning volunteers. They all can and will offer suggestions. Remember, this is a "Vacation with a Purpose." You are a volunteer. Comfort levels of activity vary from person to person. It is OKAY to try things and not like them. That being said, we have never had anyone not work on a work day or not want to come back again on a future trip.
- iii. Specifics for 2011 trip We are the first 2011 mission team of the season. The children will be VERY excited to see us! Some of the activities you may engage in with the children could be: playing, walking, assisting the house mothers with daily cares, feeding. The primary construction project will be work on Ms. Grant's office. The block walls should be completed by our arrival. Our plan is to frame the interior walls and run electric. Then paneling. If time permits, we can move on to roofing the office. Lastly,

depending on task completion, further work might be done on the 5th Cottage. As done this year, Mission Jamaica will coordinate the supplies. JMP will make a donation to Mission Jamaica for the purchase of those supplies and to compensate for coordination efforts. Tools will be available from the Westhaven tool trailer. If specialized tools are needed, Bryan will let us know. Construction volunteers should plan to bring your own gloves, work shoes, and tool belt with basic supplies (hammer, tape measure, speed square, etc.)

- iv. Other 2011 Trip Discussion Bryan Myers talked about the hotel: rooms, restaurants, bars, activities, pools, water park, water sports and no tipping. Discussion was also held regarding vacation day activities. Nothing specific has been planned as of yet. Volunteers may suggest anything at any time. Previous activities have included: Dunns River Falls, YS Falls, Blue Mountain Bike Tour, Negril Beach, Rick's Café, Catamaran Snorkel Trip and shopping trips.
- v. Cost: The current cost, as of today is \$1266.42 per person for a double occupancy room. This is up \$20 from last week. Most likely, the price will not be any lower than this. Bryan Myers suggests booking sooner rather than later. Anyone can book their trip at any time on their own or through our agent. Linda Kutzke can be contacted at 920-988-3212 to book your trip.
- vi. Discussion was held regarding fundraising outside of the JMP events. Individuals may fundraise for their mission portion of the trip. JMP asks that before any fundraising is commenced, JMP approve it to maintain our reputation. Donations may be sought and received for work days and air travel only. Further discussion was held about how to use the volunteer portion for the trip as a charitable donation for tax purposes.
- **f.** Westhaven Update There was no update this month.
- **g. Next Meeting Information:** The next JMP meeting is scheduled for:

Tuesday, October 19, 2010 At 6:30 PM Hosted by Cindy Olson

5. Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned by Bryan Myers at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nichole Myers
Jamaican Mission Program Secretary