

ACTS Missions Board  
September 24, 2007

Members: Trish Kohan, Cathy Ellenbecker, Leora Houtary, Winston Smith, Mike Monagle, Heather Johnson-Smith, Bonnie Elder, Davida Algren, Ray Thibodeau

Absent: Robert Tonkin, vacant seat, Fr. Tony

October 14<sup>th</sup> Fr. Tony's Farewell Send-off: Board will be responsible for setting up and keeping supplies at the tables and replenish food supplies and rearrange

Set up tables: LifeTeen

Barbecue: Knights

Mike, Trish, Cathy, Davida, Dave will be around to help

Leora and Winston will come from Cathedral after

Women's retreat :

23 retreatants and 22 team members (7 from Juneau); more possibly signing up Juneau team members on their own with assistance from Wasilla

Tom Barnett is cooking for the women and part of men's team

Finances are the responsibility of the Wasilla women's group other than the board's commitment to Louise

Men's retreat: Pulpit talks this weekend

Suggestion: give women who have been on retreat an application form to ask for men

Two applications from Susan DeLoach?

One application was given to Sandy Nolan

**Cathy will check with Sandy on the status of retreatants and fees as regards our account**

Pastor in Big Lake may be another supporter of ACTS

Bill will have a report from Wasilla for the Men's group meeting on Wednesday

Men are making plane reservations and using companion fare

Katie Benning needs to know who is going up for out team support. Trish, Kathy, Louise, Lynn, Miriam (possibly), and Kerri Tonkin

Motion to give men's retreat \$5000, to give \$310 to Bill if needed for his retreat, and make arrangements for Louise's transportation, another \$310.

Discussions of the budget ensued. With these expenditures, we are left with around \$200 in our account. It is a leap of faith, but does the board feel the need to commit to this venture.

Board passes motion unanimously. "Men's team is locked and loaded," quotes Winston.

Forming an ACTS Board in Wasilla:

We will need to form an ACTS board in Wasilla as soon as possible. It might be worthwhile discussing at the retreat with out team perhaps pursue this at a follow-up reunion

In Juneau there were two men's retreat and one women's retreat before a team was formed. The seed needs to be planted. The board needs to be represented by local folks from Wasilla and maybe Palmer and Big Lake.

Next year at the men's retreat in 2008 there will be a Wasilla director and a Juneau/Wasilla co-director.

At these retreats we and Wasilla team members need to start looking at talents and inviting perspective team members to join for future years.

ACTS Foundation money request: Trish has the information. Winston suggested asking for no more than \$2000 to cover expenses. This will cover all expected expenses without putting our Missions funds at risk of being in the hole.

We also need to point out the extra expense of putting on a retreat in Alaska. \$8000 does not cover the travel expenses and extra costs of retreat food, etc. Mike will take the information to Robert Tonkin to see if Robert will pursue this venture.

Discussion to establish a policy for team expenses, travel expenses, and retreat fees; board member terms, and filling of vacant board seat was tabled until after the October/November retreats.

Keep in prayer where the Mission Board looks after Wasilla. May we find more fertile ground to spread God's Good News.

Fr. Thomas will be our spiritual director

Next two meetings: October meeting will not be held unless necessary,  
Fr. Tony's farewell and mission retreats will occupy our time.  
Retreat debriefing Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup>  
Meeting, December 17<sup>th</sup>  
Times of meeting will be changed to 7pm