

ACTS Missions Board Minutes  
December 7, 2009

1. Attendance to meet quorum:

present: Leora Houtary Randy Coleman, Davida Ahlgren, Ray Thibodeau, Lisa Pusich, Winston Smith, Dave Ringle

absent: Janis Burns-Buyarski, Mike Monagle, vacancies, Fr. Thomas (excused)

Guests: , Delores O'Mara, Lynne Clements

2. Meeting called to order with prayer.

3. Meeting minutes of November 9 were read, amended, and approved with a minor correction.

4. We have sold or checked out 590 CDs as of today. The website is up and running. Posters are up, but their presence is limited. A few were sold at Public Market. All board members will take at least two and post them publicly. Masses are covered with the exception of St. Paul's 10:30 Sunday mass which Ray will cover. Winston checked on license requirements. We can sell the CDs for less than \$15. We can negotiate with Anchorage, music stores, and other ACTS sites. We may find opportunities this way. Randy will call Fred Yates to contact *Branches and Vines* in Anchorage. The board motioned to consign CDs to stores at no less than \$12 or sell CDs to stores (third party vendors) for no less than \$10 for commercial resale, with quantities no less than 50 and a window of 6 months.. Fred may negotiate this rate with the vendor. Vendor may determine their own selling price. We may choose to revisit this after the holidays. We can provide posters with information about the charitable nature of the CD. Lynn will jostle Wasilla. Winston will contact San Antonio and St. Paul's to follow up.

5. Treasurer's report—president did not have time to be treasurer and draw up a report. We seriously need a board member willing to do this position.

6. Kenai Peninsula Retreat Discussion: Randy conveyed his discussions with Kevin Woodvine about the Soldotna's willingness to have a second men's retreat. There is a willingness to hold the retreat May 6-9. There will be some challenges regarding the next retreat's spiritual director and the next retreat's director. Fr. Andy would seem an excellent choice to contact about this possibility. Fr. Thomas should be able to contact Fr. Andy. The decision was delayed until we have a spiritual director on board and we have talked to the women's community to make sure they are okay with this. The board agrees to do an e-mail vote after these two important pieces of information are clarified.

7. Leora's e-mail communication indicates the women do not have the core leadership ready to put on a women's retreat. There will be more women coming to ACTS retreats, two for Wasilla and more for Juneau. There is some concern with the proposed dates of a men's retreat over Mother's Day before a women's retreat. We need to make sure that the women are in agreement with holding a second men's retreat before we make a decision for the Men's retreat.

8. Meeting date is difficult to determine without the new board members present. We will schedule our next ACTS Missions meeting for Monday, January 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30.

9. Need for two more board members—Men who have said yes include Fred Yates and Bill Chalmers. One man is considering the final position. Delores O'Mara has said yes, but Davida Ahlgren is resigning from the board. We need to choose two women for two positions. Names were placed in a hat, prayed over, and selected:
10. Gumbo Gala will need to be planned. The Shrine Board would rather we have a Valentine's Day theme and let the Shrine Board do the Mardi Gras theme. Will we have a cook? We need to find another cook for the event. Cathy Ellenbecker may be willing to help, although she is on the Shrine board. This will be further planned via e-mail.
11. Assuming we do a Men's retreat in May we need a leader for the Juneau contingent. We will probably need to have two separate teams meeting at the same time, one preparing for the Juneau ACTS retreat while the other is preparing for Soldotna ACTS. We will decide this at the next meeting.
12. meeting adjourn