

**9-10 Club Serving Soup to the Hungry
Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, August 7, 2013**

Meeting called to order: 11:00 a.m.

Present: Richard Marshall, Gerry Witteveen, Sheila Connelly, Chris Ryzuk, Don Helliwell
Apologies: Mike Fox, Jim Pungente

Minutes of Board meeting held July 3rd were approved as read.

Fundraising

- A discussion around our fundraising efforts to date took place:
 - We may want to consider finding a replacement for Jane Buzza to advise us about effective fundraising, including which organizations we should be contacting for donations;
 - Check with similar organizations as ours to see if we can partner with them to fundraise;
 - Join the Victoria Foundation website to attract donors interested in our work;
 - Raise our profile on the Canada Helps website. Patrice can help with this as there are still some funds available from the Victoria Foundation grant;
 - Launch a strategic letter writing campaign;
 - Approach the various Rotary clubs in Victoria for funds, especially with the renovation donation in mind;
 - Write short articles for the St. Andrew's and other church bulletins, including stories about our long time volunteers;
 - Deliver Brochures to other churches, especially inner city churches.
- Action:** Chris to ask Kate if Elizabeth Williams would be available to help us with fundraising.
Action: Sheila to ask Pat Plunkett for Union Club contact.
Action: Sheila to find out how to approach Rotary for donations.
Action: Richard to look into Victoria Foundation Website.

Renovation/ Relocation Discussion

- Father John says February is still the target date for the beginning of the renovations.
 - If we can't find temporary accommodation, we may have to consider some other options:
 - Approach Our Place and Mustard Seed to see how we can work with, or support them in providing breakfast during the renovation;
 - Shut down for the duration. However, this option may have negative consequences such as losing donors who provide financial support, as well as Thrifty's, Cobs and Safeway. We may also lose some of our volunteers. On the other hand, we will "save money" and may end up with different mix of new and old volunteers.
- Action:** Richard to email Mike to ask if the relocation committee has come up with any possible locations.

New Business

- Two new coffee urns had to be purchased.
- Long Service award plaque needs to be put up.
Action: Sheila to asked Charles Kint to hang it.

Meeting adjourned 12:00 p.m.

Next meeting: Wednesday, September 4th, at 11:00 a.m.