

Minutes Outreach/Missions September 27, 2016

Present: Linda Detering, Jan Durham, Jean Harris, Gwen Pazan, Colleen Olleman

The meeting was opened with prayer and a quick check in with each other.

**Old Business:**

**Reports:** Jan Durham reported that the Starbucks Gleaning is going well. Jean Harris reported that Sophia Way needed items such as toilet paper, cleaning wipes, paper plates, napkins and plastic silver for the shelter at Holy Cross Lutheran Church. Jean also reported the dues for Eastside Interfaith Social Concerns Council, (EISCC pronounced "Ice") were past due. Jean will request payment from the church to correct this.

**Cell Tower Distribution:** The committee began distributing cell tower funds. The initial funds to distribute are Grace Boarding House -\$2000.00, Sophia Way - \$1,000.00, Hopelink -\$1,000.00 and the Counseling Ministry through Laura Wall- \$1500.00.

**Rummage Sale:** Linda Detering reported rummage sale is coming up on Oct. 14 and 15<sup>th</sup>. We will advertise on Facebook and on Nextdoor. Some of the items will be merchandized in a boutique. We may need parking help on Friday.

**Sophia Way Women's Emergency Shelter:** The Outreach Committee would like to see if a Homeless Task Force could be created with the people who were interested in helping with the shelter here at Aldersgate. We have money in Homeless holding account. This task force could be a proactive force for future use of our church. It could look at issues such as safe parking lots, outdoor toilet facilities such as a compost toilet that could be used for both safe parking lots as well as AA.

**New Business:** Outreach discussed the need to begin thinking about the new men's shelter that is proposed for the area near the Park and Ride. Colleen received a request to have a community meeting at Aldersgate. Colleen will discuss this Janice Zahn.

Next Meeting: Oct. 18 Agenda more distribution of funds.

The meeting adjourned with a closing prayer at 8:45.

Respectfully Submitted,

Colleen Olleman