NM DeColores Board Meeting
Nov. 1, 2015 KUMC

Present: Mitch Mitchem, Robert Collier, Loyd Morris, Linn Brown, Tom and Karen Riedel, Joan DeGraaf, Toni Hernalsteen, Bill and Patti Davis
Guests: Brian Narmore...new Rector; John Borgen….past Rector

Absent: Val Porter, Christine Bissonette, Linda Mitchem, Penny Morris

Pastor Collier opened with prayer at 2 pm.
Meditation by Pastor Collier from Joshua 5:13-15...The Lord is the commander of the army and we need to follow Him.

Minutes reviewed from October meeting. Tom R said to save minutes to PDF so all can read them. Loyd made motion; 2nd by Tom R. to approve minutes. **Motion carries**

Past Rectoress...Loyd gave Penny's report. She is working on a letter to the board. She has had her debriefing with her team. It seemed to work really good moving the Leaders talk to before dinner and doing the table talks after. They didn't mention skits until after the table talks were done.
Rector...John hadn't arrived yet so Tom spoke for him. Weekend was true to the method. Focus was on Christ. Tom mentioned that Sojourn may not be available for weekends any more because the YMCA wants to use it for Day Care.

Rector/Spring.. Brian Narmore..weekend will be April 7 - April 10 at First Christian Church. Theme: God is > (greater than)..song is Greater than (>).Scripture 1John 4:4. Brian is going over all the past lists. Who does he send his song to for the next Ultreya? Send to Bill and Patti Davis (KLKS)
Rectoress/Spring..Gere VandePere absent. Her weekend will be April 21-24th at First Christian Church.

Discussed info on web site on google docs. It's easier to edit.
Talked about addresses on lists for the public from women's weekend. It was an error. Toni H. commented that she didn't feel comfortable having her address on the envelopes for donations. Asked if we could get a PO Box for that. She will look in to the cost of one. Does post office forward mail to a physical address?

Board Reports

Treasurer: Toni reports we have $1352.31 in bank.
Linn B moved to accept report as written; Loyd 2nd it. **Motion carries.**

National Board Meeting: Meeting held Oct 17, 2015 in Kalkaska. Todd Shafer resigned as Spiritual Director on the board so we will need another one. Let Ed Halvorsen know if you are interested.
Treasurer reported they have $3,799.51. They are holding $3,770 for Detroit area.
Also said that Nm DeColores owed $416. (Toni said it has been paid).
Detroit would like to have a set of weekends this next Spring. They are still waiting for their 501(c)3 so everything will go through the National.
Discussed interest in Cheboygan area. Pretty far for everyone. Suggested they start by having Ultreyas first.
Songbook position on Nat'l board. Everyone is doing their own so position will be dissolved.
Agreements between Nat'l and secretariates...Get a copy to Nancy Goff so she can get it to the Nat'l. Everyone needs to be on the same page. Loyd sugg. we go over in January. He'll get a hold of Ed with agreement.
Discussed cost of items and what we get from Nat'l now. Cost of crosses includes $2 fee. They no longer have Bibles available...each secretariat wanted to get their own locally.
Question asked...where did all the Rector/ess manuals go? The totes were lost.
Chris Davis handed out the Mandatory Elements of Weekend.
Rollo books need to be gone over again also.
Website/Newsletter: Tom R reported that outside team sign up sheets have been updated to google docs.
For the cost he was going $6.63….they wated money up front so it is $159 for 2 years.
Developement...finish "want to work" page and have it password protected. Once we start paying he will get it going.
Updates for weekends 95 and 96 are completed.
Site will be ready to go on November 11.
The things that were supposed to be removed will be gone then.
Mitch requested a copy of all minutes.
Tom needs current pdf file of by-laws . Mitch said he and Linda have it.
Some things in the tubs (forms) need to be on web site.
Asked who has the Recotor/ess forms. Pres couple has them. Loyd suggested we should either give them to the Historian or destroy them.
Tom R. said if Nat'l is going to be approving and standardizing the Rollo talks, etc, they need to have it and we go through them to get them.

As long as we adhere to the Mandatory Elements; traditions are okay to keep.

Newsletter: Tom will do one for November. Some parts will be standardized; board, Ultreya, weekend dates etc.
Did he get emails from Dave Stockford? NO
Linn says Dave gives her a disc after each weekend but she doesn't know whats on them..she doesn't have a computer. May be pictures.

Ultreya Hosts: Bill and Patti...Sept Klks...46 attended and $125 was collected. TC had 70 people attend and collected $382.

Registration: Val Porter...absent. She had requested to be replaced (health issues). Bylaws states 2 years and could be extended for 2 more years. Loyd is talking to someone about Registration and the Secretary positions.
Mitch will let Val know she can step down.

Historian: Linn says all weekend info is complete.
Who is responsible to get the new names to the Alpha list person? Historian. Linn will make sure she gets 2 copies. She will call the coordinator 1 month before the weekend to make sure the team list has the position they're working listed.

Give head coordinator manual to Tom Riedel so he can go over it and update it. Put all this info on web site in google docs. Access to everyone who needs it.

Inventory: Christine absent. Talked about the trailers condition. Pat Preston is working on it. shackle broken..he replaced U joint, clamps.
Karen Riedel said that the candles lit in sanctuary were problem for some. They had to leave because of the smoke. What if we used battery operated T lights? She will look into the cost.

OLD BUSINESS
Outside team positions descriptions: Loyd has his (set up, co-ordinator, food donations, kitchen coord and helpers.
When finished; date bottom and send to Tom Riedel.
Loyd handed out descriptions he had and said to read over them and we will discuss next meeting.
Tom R said same for Holy Hr Hosts and Video

Rector/ess Sequence of events: Notice didn't get sent out for this month. Will be sent out in time for next month.
How many names in hat for drawing of next Rector/ess? no men and 1, maybe 2 women. Discussed qualifications...do they have to have worked DeColores or can it be a weekend similar? Yes, it can be another weekend like DeColores.
Karen asked if we are discouraging people from nominating themselves? Yes.
What happens to the "want to work" sheets? They go to the president couple.
Discussed. We need to have a better system if we are going to use them. We'll talk more about this next meeting also.

Rector/ess Manual: Loyd has copy that Nat;l sent. John and Mitch going through what they were given. We will let John Hayes finish what he has started.
Does the manual include a schedule: yes
Comment that we need a Rector/ess Manual and a schedule manual. Does the schedule follow the Nat'l guidelines? Yes. But locals have their "traditions" that will be extra from what is in the Manual.
Tom R suggested we go through a schedule; agree on it and put it on website.
We will let John Hayes and the Nat'l work on it and we'll go from there.
We need the Nat'l to standardize the Manual.
Who are Nat'l Board reps? the VP Couple and 2 more.
We need to get the full 4 people to meetings.

NEW BUSINESS
Board Positions Opened: Will vote at November Ultreya for new VP.
We need a new Registration person and Secretary and 2 Board Reps.

Toni has been thinking of ways to bring in more money for DeColores. She has found a couple of Grants..Calvin College and Cathlos grant. They are both Faith based grants. She wants to know how we feel about it? Discussion followed.
Would cover new song books, crosses, maybe food, printing, copying and laminating of new manuals, trailers, cots. Need specific amounts.
Need to have the grant for Calvin College in by Jan 10th.
Cathlos meets monthly so it may take a little longer.
Conscensus was …..YES

Back in April thought we voted on changing newsletter and website position to Communications director.
Joan will look through notes to see if we voted on it.

At 4:40 pm. Loyd moved we adjourn..Toni 2nd. **Motion carries**

Prayer requests:
Linn Brown, platlettes
Brian Narmore, weekend
Toni, Blessings as she works on the grants
Loyd. Parsonage..finishing up the interior painting. Skip from Freedom Builders is donating some carpet, tile , doors and kitchen cabinets. Hoping to move in Nov 21.
Jim D, shingles

Pastor Collier closed in Prayer

Respectfully submitted,
Joan DeGraaf
Secretary

NEXT MEETING DECEMBER 6, 2015 AT
FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH AT 2 PM