

First Presbyterian Church of Ballston Spa

Mission and Community Outreach Team

Meeting Minutes

August 19, 2018

Present: Bev Davis, Marty Davis, Justina Danison, Meg Knight, Pastor DeBlock

The meeting opened with prayer at 11:35 am.

The meeting focused on updates and directing money from our discretionary line item to needs not covered specifically in our budget. We decided that the people of Puerto Rico are continuing to suffer horribly from the long-term effects of Hurricane Maria and to give an additional \$750 to **PCUSA Disaster Assistance** earmarked for Puerto Rico.

We also briefly discussed the ministry of milk delivery to **SOS**. This is an area that could use more support. Meg also delivered to SOS food items that had been given to Love in Action but were more appropriate for group home meals than packpack snacks. Bev will keep in touch with needs at SOS for future decisions.

Bev also agreed to contact CAPTAIN in Clifton Park to see if they would be interested in using our church for programs directed at students who are at risk of becoming **homeless and/or trafficked**, perhaps modeled on a program that CAPTAIN runs at the Presbyterian Church in Gloversville.

Meg will see if there is some way to get feedback on our contributions to **Kindle Orphan Outreach**. We have continued to support this program since Dean Stocker left mission service through a church in Texas, but we have only receipts from this church and no sense of connection with the actual ministry.

Meg will also collect and transport **Love in Action school supplies** to the high school.

Justina and Scott will publicize the **All are Welcome Here** march and vigil on August 28.

Financial Update (as of 9/19/18)	Committed	Paid	Balance available
Against Malaria Foundation	\$ 500	\$ 500	-0-
American Refugee Committee	\$1200	\$1200	-0-

BACA	\$2400	\$2400	-0-
InterVarsity: Danielle Bailey	\$1200	\$1200	-0-
Kindle Orphan Outreach	\$1200	\$1200	-0-
Love in Action*	\$1000	*	\$1193 *
PCUSA Disaster Assistance**	\$ 500	\$ 500**	-0-
Race Track Summer Program***	\$1200 + carry over from 2017		
SOS (this does not include milk program)	\$ 500	\$ 500	-0-
United World Mission: Zerbes	\$1200	\$1200	-0-
World Vision: child sponsorship	\$ 312	\$ 312	-0-
Discretionary	\$2288	\$ 750**	\$1538

*Love in Action receives additional gifts from deacons and individuals: current balance available is \$1,125 plus \$68 in petty cash.

** \$750 from discretionary added to this, for total of \$1,250.

*** Financial data for this program is still being finalized.

Respectfully submitted, Meg Knight

NEXT MEETING: October 14 after church