



# SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

## NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS

### Board & District Presidents Meeting

#### – Minutes

November 25, 2025, 10am-Noon

For details see AI notes

Presiding: **R.B. Clark III**, President

1. Attendance:

- District Presidents present or participating virtually included: Dave Little, Ruth Klenke, Mike Carosone, Bill Cornwell, Bob Hook, Gene Meyer, Mel Husmann
- Executive Committee present or participating virtually-R.B. Clark III, Bill Cornwell, Gerard Mudd, Bob Merenda, Trina Bremerkamp, Edie Varley
- At Large Members present or participating virtually- Bernie Sammons, Yolanda Diaz, Brenda Vanderford, Mary Kickham, David Tucker
- SVdP staff present: Jason Coleman, Mike Basler, Julie Komanetsky, Mary Russell, John Fitzpatrick, Steve Poppe, Jim Conley, Steve Rupp, Tim Massey, Jeff Smith
- Quorum present: Yes

2. Opening Prayer – Fr Dan Eucharist, Thanksgiving, Love is inventive to infinity SVDP

3. R.B. Clark III President How Great Thou Art sing-along

4. Remarks from R.B. Clark III President: Prayer to the Holy Spirit for gifts of wisdom, understanding, counsel, piety, fortitude, knowledge and fear

4. Remarks by interim CEO Julie Komanetsky- Church of Magdalen last Mass with Archbishop Rozansky, the parish of her childhood, wedding and Mothers' funeral/ever faithful

- Strategic scorecard update and progress on each goal
- Mary Kickham offers governance update
- General agreement was made in regard to the Christy store and utilization of \$65,000 of the budgeted \$100,000 for a boutique store to setup 5000 sq ft of space at Christy for a traditional clothing only thrift store.

5. Treasurers Report Bob Merenda, Trina Bremerkamp, Jason Coleman

- September 2025 financials-Jason Coleman -net surplus \$1.3 million on total revenues of \$17.17 million
- FY2025 financials- Development beat \$2.9 million goal raising more than \$3.86 million, Round-Up and unbudgeted bequest donations resulted in \$4.26 million raised
- FY2025 ended with a net surplus of \$1.3 million on total revenues of \$17.17 million. Part of the surplus is due to generous donors after the 2 tornados and 1 flood that we experienced which totaled \$632,000.

6. Decisions to be made

- Resolution to extend the lease for St. Ann store- Approved and signed by Corporate Secretary

7. District President agenda topics

- Bank Account inventory status--Conference banks accounts must have SVDP Council CEO//District President signature (Treasury requirement)
- Twinning-outside of your district copy Judy Belford
- Bill Cornwell is developing a financial transparency document intended for Conferences regarding bank statements.
- Strategic Plan requirements:
  - Full Slate of Officers for each District/Succession planning (including Spiritual Advisors)
  - Quarterly meetings with Conference Presidents-in person, phone calls, virtually build friendships, restore trust, confidence and encourage Vincentian vocation mentality
  - District bylaws- each conference needs by-law

8. Motion to approve consent agenda-R.B.

- US Bank signatures change to Julie Kometsky and Jim Conley-approved by consensus and signed by Corporate Secretary
- CEO Search Committee 83 applicants for CEO, four to be selected for interview
- John Fitzgerald introduces Wendy Todd, a gifted grant writer for SVDP Council
- Jim Conley formally introduced farewell Steve Poppe, and welcome aboard Jim Conley
- Steve Rupp thanked all for their gifts, talents, time, friendship and care of our NIN

9. Closing Prayer- Fr. Dan, Blessings abound, Happy Thanksgiving

10. Meeting adjourned 11:50am