

Homeless Ministries Task Force
May 9, 2018 minutes

Location: Stony Point Ministry Center 1:30pm

Present: Bob & Shirley Cheal, Mike & Peg Ferrel, Bill & Jennifer Dornbush, Sam Cox, Jennie Hartman & John Creager

1) Opening: We read our Oneness in Christ statement together

2) Approved April Minutes

3) Plan B update-Bill and Jennifer: We will try scheduling presentations after Sunday services at Montgomery(10:45) and Stony Point (12:30) 3rd or 4th Sunday in July.
John will check with Gillian Haley and the pastors on this.

4) Caritas Village Update-John will follow through with Pastor Lindsey and Margie Pettibone to schedule a joint presentation to FUMC and Christ Church.

5) Safe Parking Update

-Participant financial needs requests: We agreed that our HMTF funds should not generally be used to assist individuals, but we could each respond as individuals, using other funding, including our own resources.

-Access to service lane: Repositioning the portable toilet and hand wash station, rotating the toilet 90° counterclockwise and then pushing it back so it sits partially behind the fence would clear the lane. We will need to level the area and add gravel to make this work. We talked about adding gravel behind (to the south of) the ADA toilet to make space for a second toilet, with indoor hand washing station, that could be added during the rainy months, or if needed to serve the number of participants using the lot.

-Camera Update: Bill is in the process of purchasing and testing an Internet-connected parking lot camera.

-Entry Chain: Bob will research posts, chain, and visibility signage for chair across the third driveway, at the west end of the lot.

-Parking lot lighting: John suggested installing a self-contained LED / solar panel / battery unit on a substantial metal pole near the portable toilet.

6) Preschool Board Letter follow-up: Peg pointed out that the Spirit Cafe Oversight Team, Staff Parish, and the pastors would be the appropriate people to respond to the concerns expressed in the letter. We agreed, after some discussion.

notes provided by John