

Minutes-March 28, 2019  
Board of Directors  
**A Cup of Cold Water**  
4:30p Linda and John Decker's lanai

*present:*

Paula Baldwin, President  
George Brown, Director  
Rev. Amy Crowe, Maui Clergy Representative  
John Decker, Director  
Rev. Linda Decker, Director, Recording Secretary, In-Reach  
Kit Hart, Director, Run Minder and Stats  
Deb Lynch, Director  
John Patrick Murphy, Director  
Chuck Spence, Director, Information Officer  
Mary Lou Mellinger, Corresponding Secretary

*unable to attend:*

Leah Sarme, Director, Treasurer  
Peter Lee, Director  
Joan Vila, Director

Honored guest: Jeanne Abe

**Minutes** of November 29, 2018 were approved.

**Treasurer's Report**— Balance in checking account January 31, 2019, was \$55,779.97.

Restricted account for van replacement on Dec. 31: \$37,262.22, including capital gains.  
The report was accepted.

**President's Report**—Paula  
**-Jeanne Abe resignation**

Paula reminded the Board that Jeanne has been in charge of the Supply Room since “Day One”, with Susie Davis and Kit Hart. Now Jeanne, finding the duties to be physically taxing, has asked to be replaced.

Jeanne presented a “show and tell”, describing the first Supply Room: a tiny bathroom in the Good Shepherd office complex. Too small for any work, the women had to carry everything to a table outside. Food given to our hungry clients consisted of a can of sardines, pudding, and applesauce, Ritz crackers and cheese. Also offered were a first-aid-kit, soap, toothbrush and toothpaste.

Now we can give Vienna sausage, toilet paper, fruit, conditioner, razor, comb and brush, q-tips, deodorant, dog food, and can opener. Peanut-butter & jelly sandwiches are also prepared for us by various church groups. Lately, no foodstuffs have been donated and must be purchased.

Jeanne described in detail the arrangement of goods to be given out on the next six runs which have been logged in; those used are replaced for the next run, which usually takes about thirty minutes. Other supplies purchased on sale for future use, are placed on the back row for future use. Shoppers usually buy more than 50 boxes of supplies from CostCo every week, plus boxes of sardines and slippers from Long's; Jeanne sometimes shops four or five times a week.

If supplies from the back shelves are used by run leaders and riders, unexpected shortages occur. Jeanne urged LEAVE A NOTE if any of these are used, so our statistics are accurate. Directors

commented that this is our fiduciary responsibility to our donors, and that sloppiness in our records could result in losing our non-profit status.

Rummage “takes up our time”; it must be sorted by type and size. Much of it is unusable by our clients and is given away to other agencies including Salvation Army. Deb commented that she tells people to donate only such things as they might use on a “cold wet camping trip”. Other needs can be met, such as clean clothing appropriate for appearing in court, or when applying for a job. Jeanne suggested that a thrift store, possibly jointly sponsored by the four Episcopal churches on Maui, could be useful. Jeanne commented that George Abe managed “mini-carnivals” in the past and cleared \$30,000 in two sessions.

The Board thanked, applauded, and blessed Jeanne for her commitment to ACCW and her creation of the supply system.

Deb commented that we must have a new supply-room leader, and that Jeanne’s great system will need to be continually tweaked, paying attention to the general pattern of requests.

Paula urged election of **Deb Lynch as Vice President for Operations**, to be in charge both of Supplies and of the Van schedules, returning to the position she held before taking a leave-of-absence to care for her husband. Deb was nominated by Linda, seconded by Chuck; **the vote was unanimous in favor.**

Paula noted that the Diocese is urging every organization to have its own administrator for Safe-Church trainings; with seventy volunteers due to renew training every three years, this is a major task. **Mark McDill**, administrator of Trinity-by-the-Sea, is qualified and willing to do this. **His appointment was voted unanimously.**

**It was voted unanimously that those authorized to sign checks are Paula Baldwin, John Decker, Leah Sarne, Mary Lou Mellinger.**

Paula has agreed to speak to Kihei and Lahaina Rotary Clubs in June. It was noted how important continuing publicity and recruitment are to support this ministry.

#### **Stats and Supply Room- Kit.**

Kit commented that Keku continues to collect the statistics. She noted that the water figures are not a true indicator, since at least one bottle is given to each person served; another method of recording this needs to be found.

She also reported that substitutes for riders who become unavailable can be found.

#### **In-reach:**

Linda: continuing; working to become more consistent.

**Deb:** video to be made by Maui High students is progressing.

#### **George:**

As a run leader, he made an urgent plea for safety and security procedures. He noted especially the role of the run leader to be alertly standing by the (only) open door, watching who comes up, ready to react. Bins should not be moved outside. Ask: “would you like” rather than “what do you need?” Bags should be pre-packed. Clients should not choose t-shirts, which takes time, but take what is given. Long times waiting in line can lead to rising tempers.

He also urged that run leaders become familiar with basic stops on each run; instructions should be standardized. Run leaders should get together more than once a year.

**Chuck:**

He has presented to Diocesan Council (as the corporate member of ACCW) our annual report. There was discussion of our “mission” as Christian; we give Bibles but not evangelism. Should communion be offered? His reply: “the Eucharist is what we give them.”

It was suggested that the value of in-kind donations, such as value of space donated by Good Shepherd, be included in the annual report, to give a more accurate picture of the ACCW operation. John noted that the annual “audit” required by the Diocese is actually a “review” unless a problem is apparent.

Paula commented that the next newsletter will be on the peanut-butter-and-jelly sandwich donors.

**Next meeting** date-Thursday, April 25, at Deckers’.

Adjourned at 6:05 with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Decker, Recording Secretary