

**Jamaican Mission Program
Board of Directors Meeting
April 20, 2010**

Directors Present: Bryan Myers, Nichole Myers, Cindy Olson, Linda Wanless, Rob Wanless, and Lyndi Venglish.

Guests Present: Carter Degenhardt, Jennifer Hartwell, Orion Hartwell, Ainsley Myers, Joellen Parkhurst, Sue Rynes, and Deb Walton.

Agenda:

- Call Meeting to Order
- Approval of the March 16, 2010 Meeting Minutes
- Treasurer's Report
- Business
 - Bowling Tournament Wrap Up
 - 2010 Fundraising
 - Brochures
 - Fair Booth
 - Ed's Brat Barn
 - Waffle Supper
 - Westhaven Update
 - Diabetic Supply Donation
- Next Meeting Information
- Adjourn

1. Call Meeting to Order: The April 20, 2010 Jamaican Mission Program (JMP) Board of Director's meeting was called to order at 7:20 PM by JMP President Bryan Myers. Bryan thanked Rob and Linda Wanless for hosting the meeting and providing us with a wonderful supper.

2. Approval of the March 16, 2010 Meeting Minutes: Bryan Myers thanked Dave Kepler for completing the meeting minutes from the March meeting since Secretary Nichole Myers was unable to attend the meeting. A motion was made by Lyndi Venglish and was seconded by Cindy Olson to approve the March 16, 2010 meeting minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

3. Treasurer's Report: Dave Kepler reported the following financial report:

Starting Balance 3-1-10:	\$639.95
Deposit:	\$95.00 (HHS Casual For a Cause)
	\$400.00 (Unused Funds from trip)
Withdrawal:	\$0
Ending Balance 3-31-10:	\$1,134.95

Dave Kepler was unable to attend this evening's meeting, but provided his report via email: "The above deposits were discussed at the last meeting. The money from the bowling tournament is not included in the balance. I will get the details on this from Cindy for the next meeting."

A motion was made by Rob Wanless and was seconded by Lyndi Venglish to approve the Treasurer's Report as reviewed. All in favor, motion carried.

4. Business

- a. Bowling Tournament Wrap Up – Cindy Olson reported that the first shift of bowlers totaled 56 and the second consisted of 16, for a total of 72 bowlers. The total income for the bowlers was \$720. JMP received \$216 of that amount. The raffles had a profit of \$707. The event overall profited JMP \$923.

Everyone agreed that this was an easy event and in the future, we should attempt to schedule it in January or February, not April when it is more difficult to get people to attend. Advertising would be the same (newspapers, fliers posted around town, and WRCO).

For the raffle, the smaller items went well as a Chinese raffle. It was discussed that in the future, tickets for the larger items should be \$1 each or a silent auction. It was felt that these nice items went for too little.

Nichole noted that by doing this event, a different group of people were reached, which is good for the organization.

Jennifer Hartwell indicated that with advance notice, she would be willing to solicit donations from various businesses in the Dells. She noted that a standard solicitation letter from JMP would be helpful.

- b. 2010 Fundraising – Discussion was held regarding the variety of fundraising events we are attempting to do. It was suggested by Bryan Myers to consolidate our efforts to a few events that work well. He noted that he feels that we should narrow our focus to a bowling tournament in the late winter/early spring, a county fair booth in the summer and a brat stand in the summer, and a waffle supper in late fall/early winter.
- c. Brochures – Thank you to Dave for the great brochures. More should be printed for distribution.
- d. Fair Booth - The Richland County Fair is September 8 – 12. After looking into a booth, it was determined that JMP will plan to have an unlicensed booth for two days, Friday and Saturday, of the fair. This will be a good opportunity to raise some funds and get our name and mission to a large number of people. In addition to food, we will have promotional materials including volunteers to talk with people, brochures, music, and photos to share.

It was also determined that for our menu, we will have jerk pork, pumpkin rice, small bags of chips, soda, water, and baked desserts. To cook the pork, Bryan felt that one or two gas grills to grill the meat would be sufficient. The meat would then be transferred to slow cookers to keep warm.

Discussion was held regarding our prices. The following is the final suggestions: a cup of pork or rice \$2.50, a plate of pork & rice - \$5. Discussion was held regarding the cost of beverages. It was determined that sodas and water could be sold for \$.50.

Discussion was also held regarding tent availability. Lyndi Venglish volunteered to check with the Blue River Fire Department on the size of their tents. Jennifer Hartwell noted that her grandmother might have a tent we could use. Linda Wanless was asked to check on the

available area we have to set up our booth. Bryan Myers volunteered to plan the booth, once he knows the size of the space we are allowed and the tent size we are able to obtain.

- e. Ed's Brat Barn – Discussion on this fundraiser will be held at the May meeting.
- f. Waffle Supper – Bryan Myers asked Lyndi Venglish to check with the Community Center for October or November dates to hold the next Waffle Supper.
- g. Westhaven Update – Linda Wanless provided us with the latest update from Westhaven. Keri Ann still has a tooth ache and will be going to the dentist at the end of this month. Mission Jamaica has wrapped up their season, but Jeff Peterson is bringing a large group soon. (Bryan speculated that this group is the Valmark Insurance group he brings annually.) All of the solar chimneys have been completed. Progress on the fifth cottage included painting, doors, and windows. Ms. Grant is hoping that it will be completed next mission season. They have not determined who will be housed in this cottage yet. Ms. Grant also noted that the US recession has impacted Jamaica. They are feeling the pinch as well. Linda inquired if they receive Feed My Starving Children food packs. Ms. Grant confirmed that they do. Ms. Grant also informed Linda that there is a drought in Jamaica, with water bans in Kingston. There are no bans for them yet, but she noted that the water tanks are "running slow." OBrian and Keno are very excited that it is Cricket season and are spending a lot of time in front of the television. Tajay is doing good and insists on taking his shirt off. Dujon has received some adoption interest and Njoki is still losing weight and routinely complains of stomach pain because she is on a diet.
- h. Diabetic Supply Donation – Jennifer Hartwell informed the group that she has new, unopened diabetic supplies from a family member that has recently passed away. Bryan asked that she keep it for the time being and as the next trip approaches, the goods will be reviewed at that time.

5. Next Meeting Information: The next JMP meeting is scheduled for:

*Tuesday, May 18, 2010
At 6:30 PM
Hosted by Bryan & Nichole Myers*

6. Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned by Bryan Myers at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nichole Myers

Jamaican Mission Program Secretary