

**Fort Collins Area Interfaith Council**  
**Monthly Business Meeting of the Membership**  
**Salvation Army Headquarters**  
**January 7, 2010**

President Garth McCann opened the meeting. Olga Duval, Social Services Director, of the host organization welcomed the group. At the meeting's conclusion, Captain Michael Halverson provided a history of the Salvation Army and offered a building tour. Approximately 22 persons were in attendance and introduced themselves. Rich Thompson, Vice President, continued the meeting following Team meetings.

**Treasurer's Report** was offered *in absentia* by Carol Smith.

Beginning balance \$8,475.26

Income \$3,185.19

Total \$11,660.44

Available funds 2009

Admin \$ 1,031.72

Grants \$ 5,228.28 (will be distributed 1/7/10 )

Available funds 2010

Admin \$ 1,556.72

Grants \$ 4,875.44

The Treasurer's Report was accepted as presented.

The list of member groups that have returned their 2010 Covenant Forms was read. It includes 9 faith organizations and 8 agencies. Representatives of all other groups are reminded to follow-up within their organizations in order to have them in soon and, hopefully, meet the January 15 deadline.

**Team Reports**

**Communications and Membership** Pat Wise reported that the Team needs a co-chair for next team and encouraged all teams to select a co-chair. The team is in final review for its guidelines. A revised list of representative duties is under development. A 6 x 3' banner for use by Interfaith will be printed by Imprints, a locally owned and operated company. The owner has offered to do it at his cost and only needs artwork for the logo. Bill Brown has the artwork electronically and will send it to him. The Council thanks Mark Williams for his generosity in preparing this banner.

**Programs, Activities and Advocacy** JoAn Hopkins reported that their Team has selected Sue Beck-Ferkiss as its co-chair. They discussed the meaning of "advocacy" within Interfaith Council and determined that it included advocating for other agencies. January's program is a panel on unemployment.

The team hopes to include a program or similar way to become more acquainted with the faiths of all members.

**Awards and Grants** Beth Hammer reported that the team would present their recommendation for distribution of \$5200 in grants, which concludes the 2009 distributions. In the new year the team will look at ways to let possible grant recipients know earlier that grant monies may be available to them

**Old Business**

All are reminded to sign-in and check their roster listing for accuracy at all meetings.

**Announcements**

- Representatives from groups that haven't sent in their Covenant Forms are asked to encourage their organizations to turn it in as soon as possible.
- Tonight's program on krfc's Interfaith Dialogue will be on the Quaker tradition.
- Interfaith's clergy group will meet for the third time on January 12. The group is focusing on cooperating related to responses to homelessness and getting to know one another better.
- February 4 is the Annual Meeting – scheduled at St. Luke's Episcopal Church. This will be a potluck brunch as well.
- The February 18 program will be a poverty simulation by the United Way . Bring someone who can decide on offering the simulation to your organization.
- The March program will be by Homeward 2020.
- April meetings will include the business meeting on April 15 and the Awards Dinner on April 29. **[N.B.: In later news, pending confirmation of site, there may be an April 1 meeting as well.]** The Executive Team is open to suggestions for honorees at the Awards Dinner; please give them to Pat Wise.

**The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:00 a.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

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**Sandra Brown, Recording Secretary**