

September 4, 2008

Minutes

Members present: Albert Banda (and Rosie), Victor Mokarzel, Alex De La Garza, John Mendoza, Marcelino Gonzales (came in but had to leave) and Henry Saenz and Andy Maldonado (late arrivals). Members that voted via email were John Adams, Zach Patterson and Marcelino Gonzales (although he also attended briefly).

1.

Reviewed the BBQ proposal and shared pictures. We voted to purchase the pit at \$2,500 but ask both the ACTS Core members and the Jamaica members to contribute toward this expense. 100% of the members voted yes. Natalie, OLG business manager, indicated we could store the pit under one of the carport car slots west of the school.

2.

Lawn equipment from Home Depot will be purchased after reviewing the different options by MMG members. We plan on the purchase of a riding lawn mower (Club Cadet - zero turn and 20 HP model) although it is a reconditioned model, it is commercial grade, and still has 50% warranty left (1.5 years). Members voted to purchase an extended warranty at \$230 to have another 2 years of warranty protection. The total cost is still a very good deal (total cost is \$1,730). 100% of the members voted yes.

3.

Other lawn equipment discussed: weed eaters, backpack blower, and self propelled push mower. Members voted to consider purchasing all the equipment needs of the parish and to support this entire project. Leo will review cost and discuss a total package deal (get the best deal we can get) with Home Depot....Leo also has a 10% discount card that he can use for this purchase. The members agreed to let Leo review the purchase options, including using the 12 month-no interest-no payment possibility to obtain the equipment but take time to pay for the equipment needed. Although we have funds available, Leo did not want to risk using too much of our fund balance and not have enough to complete the storage shed project which has high priority. We are also not sure whether the ACTS Core and Jamaica will be able to contribute toward the purchase of the BBQ pit and for how much ....Carlos (ACTS) has agreed but Jamaica has not been approached yet. In addition we have other fund raising events in December, 2008 and Summer of 2009 which should replenish the MMG account balance.

4.

Albert Banda will review pit contribution with the ACTS Core and Leo will discuss with Jamaica (Sal) committee. The pit will be the property of the Parish and the license plates will be registered to the Parish. The MMG members will have ultimate cleaning and maintenance responsibility. We may have to purchase a cover at a later date, although the carport will help protect it from the weather.

5.

Next regularly scheduled meeting will be next Tuesday September 9, 2008 at 7 pm. Please try to attend.