Cuba Partnership Team Minutes (Zoom) August 22, 2023

Attendees - Mary Hoffman, Ken Lasseter, Olga Malave, Kathy Mills, Fran Morrissey, Martha Newhart, Delly Postigo, Randy Simpson, Pat Zinn

Opened with prayer by Randy Simpson at 11:05 a.m.

Requested and received permission to record the meeting

Motion to approve minutes of May 16 meeting - M/S/P

Finance Report - attached

Motion to approve Lange Scholarship application for Randy Simpson and Pat Zinn to attend the El Centro business meeting - M/S/P

Motion to purchase 8 clerical shirts for El Centro's pastors at a cost NTE \$350.00 to be taken from the Cuba Partnership Fund - **M/S/P**

Report on conditions in Cuba and partner churches

Pat spoke about Milagros, RE at Iguará who has broken her knee and is unable to have surgery, and asked for prayers for her.

First Vero has contacted Adriana about arranging a trip to Cabaiguán in Nov/Dec.

El Redentor was planning a trip this fall, but decided to join the March 2024 presbytery trip instead

Next Presbytery-wide trip, March 12 – 19, 2024

Motion to approve Cuba Partnership Trip March 12-19, 2024 - M/S/P

Need rough cost estimate for Open Space at Sept. presbytery

Application deadline will be Dec 15 (allows leeway for late applicants and final "push" at Dec. presbytery meeting; visa deadline around Jan. 1)

Pat will work up application form, announcement letter, and budget

Fund raising for 2024 partnership support

Talk about at Presbytery meeting and in email blasts

Randy suggests \$7000 and \$5000 (transportation and leadership training) due to increased cost of everything in Cuba; we will allow El Centro to use the funds as they see fit rather than limit them to our goal amounts and designations.

Randy will ask Adriana (Moderator of Cabaiguán) if she knows what happened to the car we bought for Marlon several years ago.

Ken will work on fund-raising flyers.

Plans for Reile's visit, approx. Oct 13 – 19

Delly and Nerida are willing to travel to other churches to translated El Buen Vecino could host Reile for a day, but not overnight. Fran has someone from Winter Park who can host him in their home Winter Park requests Reile be at WP on Sunday (Oct. 15)

Cuba Partnership Network Gathering

Ken and Randy are registered for the CPN Gathering in Maryland in Oct. Randy strongly encouraged others to attend.

Plans for Presbytery meeting - "Open Spaces" session and time on docket

We'll have a brief time to speak during MDW report

Randy, Ken, and Pat will host the Open Space

Provide update on conditions in Cuba

Talk up the trip

How people can be involved even if they can't go on the trip

Encourage donations for the trip

Next meeting - Tuesday, Nov. 14th at 11:00 a.m.

Topics: Reports on CPN gathering and Reile's visit; update on 2024 trip

Closed in prayer by Ken at 12:25 p.m.

See Financial Summary on next page.

Cuba Partnership Team - 2023 Financial Summary Report				
Cuba Transportation Fund				
	1/1/2023	Starting Balance	1921.13	
		Receipts	764.50	
		Disbursements	-1606.25	
	3/31/23	Ending Balance	1079.38	
Water Treatment Fund				
	1/1/23	Starting Balance	666.90	
		Receipts	0.00	
		Disbursements	0.00	
	3/31/23	Ending Balance	666.90	
Cuba Leadership Training Fund				
	1/1/2023	Starting Balance	2657.45	
		Receipts	608.00	
		Disbursements	-2500.00	
	6/30/23	Ending Balance	765.45	
Cuba Partnership Fund				
	1/1/2023	Starting Balance	6603.78	
		Receipts	8623.91	
		Disbursements	-1000.00	
	6/30/23	Ending Balance	14227.69	
Lemosy Fund	1/1/2023	Starting Balance	9941.11	
		Receipts	0.00	
		Disbursement	0.00	
	6/30/23	Ending Balance	9941.11	
Mission Development Committee Budget - Cuba	1/1/2023	Starting Balance	3000.00	Budget line item fo Cuba
		Receipts	0.00	
		Disbursements	-1150.00	
	6/30/23	Ending Balance	1850.00	