

Cuba Partnership Team  
Meeting Agenda  
August 21, 2019

Attendees: Coco and Susan Allison, Leigh Chegwin, Larry Cuthill, Keiko DeLille, Jean Evans, Marsh Fenstermaker, Kathy Gatch, Mary Hoffman, Paul Jones, Ken Lasseter, Kathy Mills, Fran Morrissey, Rod and Beverly Richardson, Randy Simpson, Mary and Jay VanHook, Pat Zinn

Called to order at 12:05 p.m. with opening prayer led by Bev Richardson

Motion to approve minutes of May 15, 2019 Meeting - M/S/P

Action Item: Pat to make sure all members of 2019 Cuba Trip are on a CPT email list.

#### Budget and Finance

Nina Wilson Jones (CFP Business Manager) is working on new reports, which we hope will be available in mid-September. In the meantime, an updated, unreconciled statement of CPT finances is attached. (It does include deduction for CPT's share of expenses for visas for 4 Cubans invited to the CPN meeting in June.)

Fund-raising goals for 2020 trip (Transportation, Lay Leadership Training) - Randy will contact Edelberto, Yoanny and Marlon about needs; Ken will email JoElla and contact Pastors for Peace about shipping windshield for the small bus.

The CPT is requesting increased budget support from MDC.

#### 2020 Cuba Partnership Trip, Feb 13 – 21, 2020

Application deadline October 28; visa payment deadline Nov. 4

25 airline seats reserved, 7 applicants to date

Volunteers needed for tasks:

Collect and track down medical waivers and emergency contact info - Kathy Peterson

Check prices and order shirts for new participants - Kathy Gatch

Reserve rooms at the hotel in FLL - Kathy Gatch

Reserve dinner - tbd

Plan America night for the Encuentro - Mary Hoffman and Susan Allison

Coordinate gift bags for the Encuentro -

Coordinate gift bags for the pastors/churches we visit - Ken

Games and mixers - Coco

Organize packing and luggage tags - Kathy Peterson

2020 Pastors' Retreat - currently anticipated for 2021 because of CPN meeting in Cuba in Nov. 2020

#### Presbytery Partnership

IPRC is currently reviewing 9/10/13 partnership agreement; input from CPT is welcome

Hope to sign updated agreement during February, 2020 trip (dependent on CFP approval in Dec.)

#### Church to Church Relationships/Partnerships

**First Vero** – Cabaiguán - no news

**North Lake** – Caibarién - no news

**First DeLand/Glenwood** – Taguasco - Paul went to Taguasco in July with First Pres, NY; 6-7 from First DeLand are going Nov. 21-28; First DeLand has monthly video chat with other US partners of Taguasco; they are helping establish a wifi system in Taguasco so the two churches can chat monthly on video. Paul reported that VBS in July wasn't just for kids - the entire community (grandparents and parents) came too, and the number of participants grew every day.

**First Kissimmee** – Encrucijada - no news

**Graceway** – Sancti Spiritus - 11 people are going down Nov. 13-18

**Pineda** – Meneses & Iguará - 2 people (1 each from Pineda and First Palm Bay) are going down Nov. 13-18

**El Rendontor** – Camajuaní - no news

**Wekiva** – Remedios - 2 going down in Feb; Ken is going down in Nov. Ken has spoken more with Jesús more this year using WhatsApp, and reports it is better than app they used before

**Winter Park** – Santa Clara - communications are working again; Santa Clara sent photos of anniversary celebration and baptism which were shared with Winter Park via large screen. WP Interim Bob Eckerd has embraced partnership and is actively supporting it. Mary and Jay are planning to go in 2020 and hope others will join them. (Mary and Jay would only stay 5 days, leaving before the Encuentro).

#### Upcoming Events

José Luis Casal is speaking at the September 10, 2019 Presbytery meeting

BIRP is hosting José Luis Casal after the Presbytery mtg.; Cheryl Mahan (BIRP president) is contact

Nov. 13-18: GraceWay trip to Sancti Spiritus; Pineda/First Palm Bay trip to Iguará and Meneses;

Wekiva trip to Remedios

Nov. 18-21: Cuba Business Trip. Motion to authorize \$1700 for expenses (500 for Randy, 600 for Ken and Pat) - M/S/P

#### Presbytery Meeting Sept.10 (First Pres, Eustis)

Volunteers to man display table - Fran Morrissey and Beverly Richardson

Pat and Ken will lead Open Space on February trip and recent CPN gathering

#### Other Business

#### Next Meeting

December 11 at Wekiva Pres.

Closed in prayer at 1:45 pm

Cuba Leadership Team  
 Financial Report Summary  
 (not reconciled with CFP books)  
 09/04/2019

**Cuba Transportation Fund**

Balance as of 05/15/19	\$	937.50
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<b>Balance as of 08/20/19</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>937.50</b>

**Water Treatment Fund (maintenance of LWW system)**

Balance as of 05/15/19	\$1,218.90	
Transfer to Cuba Partner Fund	-562.00	(Paraíso Obrero)
		(water filters 2019 trip)
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<b>Balance as of 08/20/19</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>666.90</b>

**Cuba Leadership Training Fund**

Balance as of 05/15/19	\$1,848.60
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<b>Balance as of 08/20/19</b>	<b>\$ 1,848.60</b>

**Cuba Partnership Fund (funds remaining from trips)**

Balance as of 05/15/19	\$ 9,754.73
Transfer from Water Treatment Fund	562.00
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CFP share of Cuban visas expenses	-589.48
(for CPN meeting in June 2019)	
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<b>Balance as of 09/04/19</b>	<b>\$ 9,727.25</b>

**Lemosy Fund**

Balance as of 05/15/19	\$11,941.11
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<b>Balance as of 08/20/19:</b>	<b>\$11,941.11</b>