

December 17, 2015

The **member meeting** began at 6:30.

The minutes were reviewed and accepted with changes.

The Treasurer reported that there is \$17,421.73 in the bank account. The \$500 solidarity payment was sent to the Council and all pending cases were paid. The 990 filing postcard was sent to the IRS.

The food pantry reported that in November: 7,403 lbs. of food were processed; 305 lbs. of food were given to the St. Lucy's Project; The OLA Parish, Aquinas 753 lbs., SVdP, Women's Council, Religious Education and the Boy Scouts Troop 1462 and Pack 542 all provided substantial donations. 447 clients were served; \$33.20 spent on perishables; \$140.33 spent for operating expenses. During the Thanksgiving distribution 30 turkeys were given to registered clients and 33 to people who had not registered previously. There was a discussion regarding the food distribution rules. In the future, the Conference will serve the needs of the community within the same boundary as the OLA Parish. The food pantry will check identification in an attempt to ensure that services are provided using those parameters.

The food pantry is low on food. The manager will purchase necessities like cereal, beans, etc.

Additional keys for the building will be given to members so that they can help bring food from the church. The Food Pantry Manager asked that the food be placed in the break down room.

The Women's Council donated toys as well as food and will receive a thank you letter.

The members were encouraged to help with the toy distribution. The Conference will serve coffee and hot chocolate. The Treasurer purchased coat racks to make it easier to display the coats that are given away at the toy distribution.

A member was asked about her experience with Ozanam training. She said she enjoyed the class.

The members contributed \$70 to the self-denial collection. The formal part of the meeting was adjourned at 7:10. Those present shared a pot-luck dinner after the meeting.

Next member meeting January 21, 2016.