

Los Toros Foundation

Report and Notes of Meetings of Mar 23, 2011

This was an official BOD meeting.

1. **Attendees:** Michael Haischer, Michael Weber, Donald Kabara, John Gallo, Terrie Gallo, Lauren Leslie Hynan. Guests - Cathy Binter, Ryan Henke, Helen Kassens and Hydee Schlecht.
2. **Minutes** - Reports of previous meeting were approved.
3. **Financial Report:** was accepted and approved (see attached). We will continue to review our banking relationship in the Dominican Republic in an effort to limit charges. We have made solicitations to ten organizations for grants and are talking with the Grafton - Cedarburg Rotary club in an effort to collaborate in their international outreach programs.
4. **Government Reports:** We are reviewing US requirements and will consult with Damian on our Dominican legal reports. **Action required by Don Kabara and Michael Haischer, Damian De Leon.**
5. **Succession Planning:** We continue our plans for a transition of duties and leadership and will focus on collaboration with the people of Los Toros to fulfill roles on training and empowerment. We see a need to more written communication and reports to assure accurate and prompt communication. **Action required by Don Kabara and Olga Vicente.**
6. **Trips to Los Toros:** See Los Toros Mission Committee report.
7. **Projects:**
 - a. **Los Toros Mission Center** – We will continue our development of the center and will plan for the inauguration in October 2011. **Action required by Don Kabara, Olga Vicente and Board Members.**
 - b. **SVDP: Food Program** – This program continues with monthly distribution of food. **Action required by Olga Vicente and Los Toros SVDP.**
 - c. **Cement Floors** - This program will continue with the supervision of SVDP; however it will now be a part of the Hogares Program in that they will collaborate in determining which houses are suitable for a new floor. **Action required by Don Kabara, Olga Vicente and SVDP.**
 - d. **Library** –We have installed the Internet Salon in the library and they had over 100 users thus far. We will install three new laptops and router in March. **Action required by Don Kabara and Library Committee.**
 - e. **Solar Lights** - This program was started by Miguel and Melanie Mendez and they will continue to supervise the program with a committee in Los Toros. We will collect and direct funds as they direct. **Action required by Don Kabara.**
 - f. **Hogares** - We continue to look for more resources for this program. A concern was raised that the homes are built to withstand an earthquake and prevent injury to persons living in them. We will investigate starting a web page to demonstrate proper design and construction. **Action required by Don Kabara and Mike Weber.**
8. **Casa San Jose** - We continue to pursue transfer of title to the foundation with the goal to complete the process in 2011. We approved the purchase of a range hood for the kitchen. **Action required by Don Kabara and Damian De Leon.**