

ISM Meeting Tuesday Dec 18th 2007

The executive committee of International Surgical Missions held a brief meeting on Tuesday December 18th 2007 in Pueblo with the following members present:

Dr Paul Radway Co-Director
Julie Andron Co-Director
Cameron Allen
Beth Hudson Secretary

The following items were discussed:

Venues for future trips

- **Mexico** could look at returning to Mexico but preferable not with Medical Ministries International (MMI). Maybe could look into doing a mission with Pueblo 's sister city Puebla Mexico .
- **India** could be a possibility. A doctor from Trinidad has family connections there and recently visited to see about ISM providing a mission team. Logistics are being overseen by Dr Radway
- **Ecuador** Julie had two different contacts in Ecuador and will try to contact them about a possible mission
- **World Surgical Foundation** a secular group that started out much like ISM. May try to contact them about a joint mission. Depends on potential locations/ costs
- **Local Mission** Parkview was not interested in sponsoring a local mission with ISM. However Pueblo Surgery Center has expressed a keen interest in helping us organize something in July of 2008!

Dinner Friday April 18th 2008

- Currently working on mailing lists. Sent out 180 ISM newsletters in November. Will send "Save the Date" cards after the first of the year. Making sure all doc addresses are up to date. Compiling separate lists for ISM members and potential donors including medical reps.
 - Invitations will be mailed in March. We will have a printed version and an email version to send out.
 - Corporate tables will be \$750 for 8 seats. We hope to have 20 to 25 corporate tables (160-200 seats). We hope to have no more than 250 people total. All non corporate seats will be sold for \$30 per ticket.
 - We currently have corporate commitments from out two major sponsors **Vectra Bank** and **Colorado Technical University**. With donations from these two businesses we are close to having enough money to pay for the Union Depot and all the food already.
 - Committees We hope to have the Walsenburg group in charge of checkout at the dinner. We would like for Colorado Spring people to be in charge of check in. Cameron will supervise the collection of donation items. If we cannot find a volunteer for the silent auction, Julie Andron will chair that committee. Nadine Radway will be in charge of decorations.
- Other fundraising

- Will have a meeting of the fundraising committee while Team Samar is in the Philippines in late January
- Several members have expressed interest in holding local fundraisers including a golf tournament, a race/walk
- Dr Radway will talk with the group of docs, nurses, etc in Sterling about raising money to support their own group to possibly go to Samar in Jan 2009.
- Would like to explore interest in establishing funds to help individuals go on trips. We currently have a sponsor who helps docs, Dr Mike Purcell and the local dental society have agreed to help with nurses/ nursing students? We would like to work closely with the Rotary Club (here and in Samar) to sponsor non-medical persons.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be an open forum for all ISM members. Currently looking at Tuesday January 8th 6PM @ CTU in Pueblo . We will be having a TEAM SAMAR meeting on Sunday January 13th . More information will be sent after the new year!

Website

These meeting minutes and other archived minutes can be found at our website

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