

International Surgical Mission  
Meeting Minutes  
November 11, 2008

Meeting came to order at 6:00 pm

Members present

Paul and Nadine Radway

Mike and Linda Conley

Phil Woods

Eve Grimer

Roy Miltner

Beth Hudson

Update for Samar

Cataract surgery will be a new service offered. A microscope will be brought with us. A suggestion was introduced as to whether to bring discarded eyeglasses. No, due to lack of space. There will be a CRNA resident on this mission from Denver Health sponsored by Alexis Taber CRNA.

Traveler's insurance is purchased in with the airline tickets.

Dengue fever was a concern in that region now. Will check with the health department for recommendations.

Newsletter: \$400 to produce. Need to find someone to do this. Karen Mc Anally knows a newspaper lady in LaVeta. She will be contacted to get this information. The mailing list is now up to about 600,

Cougar Canyon golf tournament fundraiser: Devon Lamas has tried unsuccessfully to reach the PR person. He has left messages but no return calls. David and Beth Hudson will look into this.

La Renaissance dinner fundraiser in Sept was not well attended. Cost was \$350 raised was \$500.

Suggestion to bring in Pueblo surgery center in with the La Renaissance fundraiser.

Pueblo Mission facts: Cost \$6000 for supplies mostly due to laproscopic equipment.  
Can get non-disposable equipment and save around \$4000.  
Total patients were 51  
Center felt the media coverage was not adequate.  
Many volunteers  
PSC to screen for insurance  
Pre Op screening to be done 3 weeks before surgery on a Sat.  
Credentialing for volunteers was a problem  
May need to restructure it.

Agree to repeat the mission in 2009.

Ecuador recap: 2 surgeons, 51 patients with 61 procedures.  
May return to a different location next mission  
Contacts for Ecuador were very helpful.

Goal is to have on long mission and 2 short missions. Prospective dates for 2009.  
Samar late Jan  
Ecuador June possibly second week.  
Pueblo Sept. or Oct.

Dinner Auction April 17, 2009 needs volunteers to help with various duties.  
Need donations for silent auction,

Trip expenses to volunteers: Doctors \$2000 for Samar \$1500 for Ecuador  
CRNAs cost was \$750 now \$1000.  
PAs, RNs, Techs, \$500  
Students and non-medically trained volunteers pay full cost.  
Students are encouraged to raise money or volunteer their services at the dinner auction.

Future fund raising Payroll deduction, Sponsor a student program.

Nikki Holmstedt and Bard Munden are managing the warehouse. Nikki will be organizing equipment and supplies and Barb will be taking care of instruments.

Future sites Nigeria is not ready yet, maybe a year or more out.

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 pm