Ripples of Hope Meeting June 19, 2017

Attendance: Kara, Kathy, Elaine

- 1. Meeting opened with prayer led by Kara
- 2. Financial Report for FMSC: Kara had received donations from her Facebook Friends of \$350. A check was made out for \$2156.80 from the donated cash and \$232 in checks from the parish office for a total of \$2738.80. Announcement was made at Mass last Sunday that we will still accept any donations until mid July.
- 3. Rosaries were given to Sara V at the parish office to use for the Fatima Celebrations at Darboy and Kimberly Churches. Elaine continues to make rosaries and Cathy Lehner is also making rosaries.
- 4. Brat stand is July 14 and 21. Charlie Cross, Kathy, and Bonnie Godin will begin set up at 8:00 am. We need help for 2 hour shifts beginning at 11-1:00, 1:00-3:00, 3:00-5:00. Kara will put out a plea for help on our Ripples home page.
- 5. Christmas Giving Wish Lists: must be sent out sooner so that our shopping elves can take part in pre Christmas sales. Also adoption requests should be put in the Essentials/Connections earlier. A discussion arose concerning our need to be more organized in our planning during this time. We will discuss this further at a future meeting. We discussed the importance of the committee being given more information about the recipients of the gifts such as their needs or why they were chosen to receive the gifts. Should we limit the number of families to help? Food for thought......
- 6. Concern about the number of members attending our monthly meeting: It is difficult to make decisions when only 2 or 3 attend. It is important that we each make a greater attempt to attend the meetings and be involved in Ripples of Hope. Our group is already small in number but each is important to bring forth discussion and decision making in order to carry out our mission of being the hands and feet of Christ.
- 7. Next Meeting: July 17<sup>th</sup> at the parish office.

8. Meeting adjourned: 7:00 pm (We had a late start)

Respectfully submitted: Kathy Cross