

**Gulf Coast Relief Funding Panel Report**  
**August 1, 2006 begin 1pm CST, 2pm EST**

**Present:** Joe Sullivan, Meg Riley, Becky Cureau, Steve Crump, Martha Thompson  
**Not Present:** Jacqueline Luck (sick leave), Eunice Benton (traveling)

**1. Reports from Working Groups**

**A. New Orleans Working Group:** (Becky) Next in-person meeting of the group will be in September.

**B. Community Group:** (Martha) Meeting Tomorrow, 8/2, by phone.

**C. Volunteer Group:** (Joe)

Group is meeting currently on 8/1. Attendees are Marilee Baccich, Chère Coen, the Steering Committee of the Hurricane Relief and Social Justice Project (HRSJP), Steve Crump, Becky Cureau.

**Today's meeting:** continues the discussion and efforts to clarify issues of roles and accountability for staff, steering committee, and New Orleans congregations on issues of volunteer coordination, orientation and Anti-Racism training.

**The role of the Volunteer Advisory Group:** is and will remain to provide advice and to support the establishment the New Orleans Volunteer Coordinator past September.

**Info Needed from Volunteer Program – HRSJP Staff (Marilee & Cheré for HRSJP and Mississippi & New Orleans volunteer coordinators – Jinnie and Emily):**

Panel would like to receive the following information about volunteer groups coming to New Orleans and the Gulf Coast as reported by Joe and Steve to the HRSJP staff.

**2. Grant Proposals**

**A. Zion Travelers Cooperative Center for \$11,000**

**Goal:**

Provide creative and safe summer care for the youth and children from hurricane affected families in Phoenix and surrounding communities, which will enable them to process the impact of the hurricane, while their parents work on rebuilding their community.

➔*VOTE: Joe Sullivan moves, Becky Cureau seconds. Motion is APPROVED.*

**B. Interfaith Worker Justice for \$50,000**

**Goals:**

Improve worker justice in the Gulf Coast recovery by developing the public policy work on labor law enforcement and contracting abuses.

➔*VOTE: Meg Riley moves pending approval by community working group, Joe Sullivan seconds. Motion is APPROVED.*

**3. One Year Anniversary And Evaluation**

Anniversary plans are in the works.

Evaluation questions to be assembled by end of August/early September or time of next working group meeting. (See July 11<sup>th</sup> minutes)

- What has worked?
- What hasn't?
- How do you know?
- What would you do differently?