

## **Eastern Plains Community Pantry**

### **Board Meeting Summary**

December 5, 2016

Twelve board members and two guests were present. The November 7<sup>th</sup> minutes were approved.

Pantry revenues were greater than expenses for the month of November. Even though a lot of holiday food was purchased, revenues were greater thanks to a grant from the Anschutz Family Foundation, a donation from St Mary's Orthodox Church and individual donations.

The Pantry served 1,043 people in November and volunteers donated 603 hours.

A budget subcommittee was formed and will be meeting in December to prepare a proposed Pantry budget for 2107. The Pantry Board will be holding elections for 5 director's seats (3 year term), board officers, and program coordinators at the January Board of Director's meeting. Individuals interested in serving in any Pantry elected position, please contact Bob Selle (347 2873) to be placed on the election ballot. Nominations can be added at the January meeting (1/9/17).

The "Holiday Giving" program provided 53 families with food for Thanksgiving and the Pantry provided 17 more dinners. Seventeen families missed the ordering date for the "Holliday Giving" program, so the Pantry filled the gap making a total of 70 family Thanksgiving dinners. Sixty seven families are signed up for Christmas food and the ordering date has come and gone. Any additional requests will be covered by the Pantry. As of the final registration date (11/23/16), 90 children are signed up for Christmas toys and 40 for "Teen Angels" gifts.

The Calhan Fire Protection District Board of Directors notified the EPCP Board that they have reconsidered the rent increase to the Pantry and have decided to leave it at the current rate (\$250 per month).

The Pantry is in need of a walk-in freezer, a large portable evaporator cooler, a security camera system, window shades, sheets, pillow cases, blankets, men's clothing especially jeans and winter clothing especially coats.

The Care and Share Mobil Food Pantry will be on Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, starting at 10:00 a.m.

The next Board of Directors meeting was changed from the first Monday to the second Monday because the Pantry will be closed on January 2<sup>nd</sup> for New Year's Day. The January meeting will be on Monday, January 9, 2017, 6:00 p.m., at the Pantry. Topics of interest will be the 2017 budget, elections and a discussion concerning operating hours.