Staff meeting minutes from August 29, 2018

Darren opens with a word of prayer.

It has been brought to Darren’s attention that there are some staff and people we know that work in the building, complaining about things that happen in Emmanuel home. If you hear staff or someone in the community demeaning Emmanuel Home, please bring it to Darren so he can address the situation We work too hard to have people rundown what we do here and what Emmanuel Home stands for.

**Expansion:** They are completing the parkade walls; soon we will see them preparing the main floor. They are making good progress. There were things stolen from the construction site, if you see anything out there that doesn’t look right, you need to let Darren or Brian know.

**Trinity Church:** When Trinity has a big event happening they let us know, so we can let staff know not to park in the parking lot. The best place for staff to park is against the fence by the construction or on the street. We want to be good neighbors to Trinity.

**Centre courtyard**: Sonoma will be doing some finishing touches to the concrete in the Centre wing. We will be getting a new gazebo soon.

**Upgrades** to the West wing: All the doors in the West wing will be replaced with new doors. All three stairwells will also get a new look. It will be exciting to see the changes to the West wing. The work will begin in September.

**Dress-up:** On Thursday September 13, 2018 back to the 70’s day. There will be a prize for the best costume. Join us if you’re available.

**Staff party:** We are having our staff BBQ party on September 14. This year it will be at Tini’s house in Ardrossan. Emails and sign-up sheets have been put out.

**Vacation:** Everyone has been good this year with taking their vacation. Talk to your supervisor about how many days you have left to take. You can carry 5 days over into the New Year but we do encourage everyone to use them up.

**Long term staff**: Rachel Spriensma has been working here for 10 years. We thank her for all her hard work and dedication she has giving to Emmanuel Home.

**Emmanuel Home:** Mary has worked hard on making the courtyards beautiful this summer. This year EHhas won 3rd. place in the Front Yards in Bloom Award. That means that this space was selected for the 2018 yard award. Congratulations to Mary.

**Bazar:** The craft sale will be held on Saturday November 24th. Please let Aria know if you want to volunteer to help that day.

New staff: We have two new staff members. Ozy Ezirim is a new LPN. Ashley Callahan is our new HCA. Let’s make them feel welcome here at Emmanuel Home.