MORONGO BASIN HAVEN Minutes – January 18, 2013

Chair Shelley Licata called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

Minutes of November 16,2012 were approved as presented.

Chair Licata called for election of board members. Shelley Licata was elected to continue as Chair and Sarann Graham as Vice-Chair. Jessica Hannah was elected as Recorder and Omar Castro will be Budget Coordinator. Kelly Carson will continue as Treasurer.

No meeting was held in December.

Members discussed having a partner to share in the proposed building. Sarann Graham will meet with Mara of TLC to discuss this possibility.

It was brought to the committee member's attention that MB Haven assisted a homeless woman by providing two nights of temporary shelter at the Travelodge Inn and gave her \$50.00 for food, laundry and gasoline. She was also referred to Roy's Shelter in Palm Springs.

Committee member Wayne Hamilton spoke about the services in the school district that is available for school children that are in need of clothing, food and shelter. Wayne coordinates this program.

It was reported that Cindy Melland has computers available to donate to MB Haven.

Sarann Graham updated everyone on the upcoming Fashion & Art Show that is scheduled for March 23, 2013. A website has been developed, www.hidesertrunway.com. It was agreed that ticket prices would be \$60.00 per person and \$150.00 per couple. The \$150.00 tickets will include two bottles of wine on the table.

Guest speaker was Ariel Nievas from First Institute of Training and Management, Inc. Mr. Nievas gave an overview of this organization and how they can provide training services to non-profits that assist homeless youths of ages 17-21. Some of the courses mentioned included customer service training, preparation for GED, basic computer skills training and various work force training that may be requested from business partners.

He also mentioned a recent grant application his organization was pursuing with San Bernardino County Workforce Development. Omar Castro will be assisting in this process.

Next meeting will be February 15, 2013 and will be held at Hi Desert Water District board room at 10:00 am.

Meeting adjourned at 11:24 a.m

Respectfully Submitted by: Jessica Hannah