## SSVP CONFERENCE FINANCIAL CHECKLIST

(Source documents: SSVP Financial Handbook for Conference Treasurers and The Rule and
Statutes of SSVP Canada)
Task
Prepare budget and presents budget for formal motion at meeting and recorded, to be monitored monthly to determine corrective actions to be implemented. Revenues and expenditures and bank balance in particular.  Handbook Section 5.8
Record all receipts and expenditures using software/excel (or manual system)
Deposits must be made regularly
Account books to kept up to date
Financial report presented at each meeting and reported into the minutes
Disbursements given only after invoices/statements obtained
Two person sign cheques always
All accounts paid when they become due
Accounts to be reviewed once a year by committee or outside qualified person Section 2.3 and Rule 3.14
Any such review to be presented to conference members
Funds to be used for Society's aims and objectives Rule 3.13
Only a reasonable reserve to be held based on budget/expected expenditures Rule 2.2.10
No allocation of funds to other organizations unless in the Vincentian Family Rule 3.13
Surpluses to be shared annually by the next council up for distribution Section 2.2.10
Year end financials and activity report submitted to next highest council by January 31 each year
CRA status to be applied for in line with CRA rules and legal requirements.
Conference with CRA status issues receipts, applies for GST/HST, files returns Section 4.0
For Official tax receipts specification See: www.cra-arc.gc/chrts-gvng/chrts/prtng/rcpts/menu-eng.html
Hard copies of records must be kept, list can be found in handbook section 5.0
Records to be kept for 6 years Section 5.2
Confidentiality of records must be maintained, disposal means is shredding
Revenue and expense recording protocol can be found in handbook section 5.4 and 5.5
All expenditures must be approved by Conference President and Treasurer and or leadership team
Bank chequing account must be maintained for all conference funds. Section 5.6
No online outgoing transfers or payments permitted as this will defeat the two signature requirement.
Monthly reconciliation each month to take place and any discrepancies sorted out.
A six month reserve can be kept in an accessible low risk GIC which is redeemable and cashable Section 5.7