

# Board of Trustees Meeting, February 15, 2017

Minutes submitted by Margaret Willey

Present: Dick Kamischke, Margaret Willey, Patti Baldus, Charity McMasters, Wayne Johnson, Andy Cawthon, Mary Ackerson

Guest: Ellie Williams

Absent: Steve Platt, Kathy Humphrey, Chase Gue

Next scheduled meeting: **March 15, 2016**

## Reports

### Chair's Comments:

Dick's comments stressed the importance of the Feb. 26 Community Mtg., which will include the "state of the community" presentation and the BoT elections. Dick believes that we are at an inflection point as we begin the search for a new leader. He sees this as an opportunity to start a "new era." Requested that we all think seriously about what we want for the C3 community in the coming year.

**Election Team Report:** Charity reported that she is nearly finished with the candidate insert for the Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday bulletin with bios and photos of board members. Since there are an equal number of BoT candidates and slots, Dick made a motion to allow all candidates seeking to serve on the Board a place on the 2017 BoT. Vote was unanimous. We also voted, again unanimously to have a voice vote and forget about setting up ballots.

**Finance:** Andy reported a strong financial position, due to reduced expenses, and made a motion that the BoT approve the 2017 budget, which includes monies for a full-time leader as well as a teen leader. 2017 Budget was approved unanimously.

**Community Life** – The Community Life Committee did not meet in February. Patti reported that *Impact* will be the organization receiving donations in March. Charity and Wayne reported that they plan to announce the hiring of teen leader, and introduce her to the community at the Community Meeting on Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>. They hope Carley LaVercombe will start on March 1.

### Outreach – Mary's Report

David's C3 Postcard project is coming along.

The Kent Dobson event made its way into the Tribune. Outreach is considering placing an ad in the Tribune's Summer edition and also publicize through the Chamber of Commerce.

David and Chase are working on the website.

Shannon and Malea are working together to keep up with Facebook posts.

Additional information shared about the concert series, the trivia game effort, Loving Spoonfuls (new volunteers!), more T-shirts, Muskegon Heights initiatives, Adopt-A-Highway, highway clean up, and Earth Day.

### **New Business**

Ellie shared a membership update, using numbers gleaned from Wild Apricot. The report listed our actual members at 183, with combined members and friends at 285. Total contacts are 377.

Margaret will continue to work on the Safe Community Document. New members will help create and verify these documents for approval from the BoT.

The Board voted unanimously to give David Dean the 2017 Phil Koster Award

Our important February 26<sup>th</sup> Gathering will include:

- Survey Results (Feedback on the Feedback)

- Update from New Leader Search Committee

- BoT Election

- Introduction of Carley LaVercombe to the Community

- Phil Koster Award to David Dean