

Board of Trustees Meeting, April 19, 2017

Minutes submitted by Margaret Willey

Present: Dick Kamischke, Margaret Willey, Patti Baldus, Andy Cawthon, Mark Smith, Hank Nash, Kathy Humphrey

Absent: Wayne Johnson, Jane Horton, Charity McMasters

Chase Gue has resigned from the BoT

Next scheduled meeting: **May 17, 2016 at 6:30**

Reports

Chair's Comments:

Dick encouraged the Board Members to give their best efforts on the committee's they serve on.

Election Team Report: Mark reported that the search for a new leader is going well. Job description is finished and available to share with the community. Job posting will go out through a network, hopefully on May 16th. A leader tab will soon come up on the website with the new job description and links for questions and submission of applications.

Finance:

Andy again reported a strong financial position, due to reduced expenses. Kathy suggested we have a monthly AND an annual budget report that reflects budget variance.

Community Life Committee (submitted by Patti)

1.) Membership:

Patti reported that Dick K. visited the CLC's meeting to explain how he would like information to be collected from the membership survey. Mark S. will no longer be part of the Membership Committee, as he has taken on the rolls of BoT member, member of the Finance committee, and Head of the Leader Search Committee. The committee will be asking for more volunteers to work on Membership. Dick recommended that we have a member report every month so that we can predict trends and realities.

2.) Sunday Gathering Team:

Sunday Gathering: things are going very well. Leslie and her team are doing a stellar job.

3.) Community Compassion and Care:

The committee discussed the role of pastoral care at C3. Presently there is no person(s) who visits ill and home bound members. The committee is seeking a person to regularly fulfill this role.

4.) Charter for Compassion:

Many donations from C3 were delivered to the Momentum Center on April 17th. Week 3@C3 will be donations for the CCD Garden Program, which will be expanded to grades 1-5 in addition to K and pre-K. A wish list is forthcoming.

5.) Education:

Patti will meet with Karley to discuss having a framework/focus for her weekly meetings with kids.

6.) Communication:

Shannon took responsibility for the newsletter in Chrys' absence. He did a great job.

Community Life New Business:

Hank brought up the desire of some people (including himself) to include music in the Gathering that can be sung by the congregation. The BoT will ask Leslie to bring this up at the next Sunday Gathering Team meeting.

Outreach Committee Report (submitted by Kathy)

1.) Community Survey

Dick shared the process for documenting written answers to the survey. Valerie has volunteered to do this and will share the results before the next meeting.

2.) Marketing

Marketing has been running more smoothly with Malea getting information earlier. Good Facebook presence, thanks to Shannon, David and Malea. Tribune coverage of our events continues to be spotty. There is a need for someone to serve as a backup for Chase. Kathy will get input from Chase and guidelines to confidentiality issues like passwords.

3.) CCD

Nancy Owens, Leslie Newman and Margaret Willey attended the merged meeting of the Coalition for Community Development and Journey of Hope. 6 other C3 members attended.

4.) Adopt-a-Highway

26 C3 members participated on April 15th. It was noted that the C3 sign is misspelled. Mary will look into this.

5.) Earth Day

Earth Day is April 22. Postcards and posters are being printed for the C3 table outside the Woodbine Room and an interactive banner for children and adults is planned.

6. Poetry Event – April 27th – “Poetic Voices of Detroit”

A press release was sent by the library with C3 included as a sponsor. We anticipate a good C3 turnout.

7. Pride Music Festival

The date is June 11th. David and Rod are distributing posters. Lots of local school involvement and sponsors.

BoT New Business:

It was noted that our Sunday counting process is going to change and become simpler. Currently it is too complicated.

At Margaret's request, The BoT voted to approve a \$200 donation to the Sherri Winston Author Event in Muskegon Heights.

Board meeting time will change from 7:00 pm to 6:30 pm.

The lock box to the office will soon be changed.