Peace United Church of Christ
Governing Body Meeting Minutes
June 21, 2016

Call to Order 6:01 pm – Pastor Wendy

Attendees:  Rev. Wendy Bruner, Melissa Hattman, Al Schon, Gary Boehnke, Marilyn Stavenger, Lola Contestabile, Scott Guerrero, Sarah Webster, Sandy Bowe

Absent:  Joe Kelly, Jenny Davis, Debbie Gregg, Grace Morris, Janet Rundquist

Opening:  Pastor Wendy asked for any reflections on Orlando mass shooting and vigils

Check-in/ Brief status reports

People Team- Lola Contestabile  People Team will need a new team leader if Lola cannot continue.

Community Team- Jenny Davis- NA

Servant Team – Sandy Bowe- NA

Worship Team- Sarah Webster- Still working on her replacement as Worship Team leader

Finance Team- Scott Guerrero- Team Leader needed for 2016-2017 year. Discussion followed around potential candidates for the position.

Facilities – Gary Boehnke will continue as Team Leader

Education – See attachment from Debbie Gregg

July Congregational Meeting Agenda

Discussion around possible agenda items- Freedom School, Election of Officers, PEACE UCC Foundation, Financial Update, GB/State of Community Report. Also discussed getting the input from congregation on agenda items for discussion. How: Post skeleton agenda in News and Notes asking for items to be submitted to GB that need discussion and motion at the meeting. Deadline for submission would be one week prior to July GB meeting. Skeleton agenda to be provided to GB by Melissa Hattman ASAP.

Working Items

I. Approval of May Minutes- MSP as amended.
II. OWL- See Debbie Gregg attachment
III. Freedom Summer School- Wendy

Deaconess Foundation is taking group to the Samuel Dewitt Proctor Conference on Child Advocacy in July; Wendy and Kelly Archer will be attending. Pastor Wendy has been meeting
with area school districts and several area pastors are meeting on July 5th to discuss plans to move forward as team. The meetings at Peace have produced lots of commitment from the congregation to this work. (see sign up in the Narthex). There is intentional informational process underway to reach all members of the congregation about this opportunity (ex: Freedom Moment every Sunday). There will a Freedom Summer School one page summary and cost sheet made available.

IV. Finance - Scott. Financial Report through June will be available next Thursday. Moved the 81K in general fund for 212 Building to an investment account at Cornerstone (mutual fund –mixed)

V. Pastor’s Items- Wendy
Team meetings- Wendy proposed for discussion resuming a former practice of having all team meetings on the same evening each month. Having dinner together before the meetings and opportunity for teams to exchange information creates community. It was suggested to meet the 2nd Monday of the month prior to GB meeting the 3rd Tuesday of the month. No motion made.

Other Items

Fisher’s Circle and Covenant Proposal- Al Schon
A draft of a PEACE UCC Covenant was shared with the GB for review and discussion Al asked for input, thoughts and comments to this document one week prior to the July GB meeting so the discussion can continue.

Appointment of new Refresh Committee- Gary Boehnke
There is 21K to spend on the Refresh plan and a committee needs to be reconvened to discuss and prioritize projects (bathrooms, etc.). A discussion followed about the Master Plan vs. Refresh Plan to clarify how the two are separate and governed. Action needed now: volunteers for new refresh committee of 3 to convene. Sandy Bowe and Marilyn Stavenger volunteered. J Kelly will appoint the third member.

Property - Gary also remaindered GB that we need to return to a discussion about the sale of the YMCA next door and how that might impact our future decisions about our property. A future agenda item.

Recruitment of new Team members- all
Recruitment Fair August 21st in conjunction with Welcome Back Sunday will be held between services.

Bylaws Update -all
Succession Plan for GB continues to be conversation by bylaws circle. Committee members are Jenny, Gary and Joe.
Adjournment- MSP at 8:00 pm

No Executive session.
Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Hattman
GB Secretary