Peace United Church of Christ
Governing Body Meeting
January 20, 2015

IN ATTENDANCE: Bob Molsberry, Joe Kelly, Marilyn Stavenger, Al Schon, Norma Leuthauser, Gary Boeneke, Scott Guerrero, Nancy Reiter, Therese Cristiani, Betsy Reznicek,

NOT IN ATTENDANCE: Grace Morris, Debbie Gregg, Jenny Davis, Jean Karr, Nick Knoblauch

President Joe Kelly called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and gave the opening.

MINUTES:
It was MSP to approve the minutes of the December 16, 2014 meeting.

SUNDAY MORNING CUSTODIAN/HOST:
Bob Molsberry stated that he had interviewed three youth who are interested and he is considering offering the job to all, each for individual rotating segments. Payment will be $45/Sunday.

MUSIC DIRECTOR SEARCH CIRCLE:
Bob Molsberry reported that Rob Hartmann, Doug Cormack, John Panhorst and Carol Crook have agreed to serve on the Music Director Search Circle. The last Sunday for Kourtney Strade is April 19.

PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE:
The local church profile is finished and will be posted.

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR TITLE CHANGE:
It was MSP that the Office Administrator’s Title be changed to Administration and Communications Coordinator.

MEDICAL/DENTAL INSURANCE:
It was MSP to approve $250 per month for health and dental insurance for 2015 for the Administration and Communications Coordinator.

It was suggested that the People team look into a stated policy for health insurance for part-time employees so that all employees are treated fairly.

BULLETIN SURVEY INSERT:
Nancy Reiter stated that the Worship Team would like to do a bulletin survey insert to ask members of the congregation to check off areas of their interest for volunteering purposes. She will do a rough draft and try to have something ready by February. Follow-up will be important in this process.
WORSHIP TEAM MEETING:

New members were welcomed. Three areas of focus for 2015:
1. A new circle will be formed for increased attention on a partnership/collaboration with pastoral staff on worship seasons/themes/format,
2. Partnering with the Learning Team to bring more family/children intergenerational worship opportunities, and
3. Tightening up the nuts and bolts of ushers, liturgists, sanctuary art.
They also firmed up Lent and Easter planning.

FINANCE:

Treasurer, Scott Guerrero reported that we had a good year in 2014, total income exceeded the budget by 1,380. The Peace UCC Foundation contributed 24,843. The Stewardship Circle conducted a great campaign and envelope giving is projected to be 289,150 for 2015. The E-Script program from Schnucks was discussed and will be highlighted to the congregation as a way of raising funds. A total of 645 was raised in 2014; additional users can increase this amount significantly.

2015 BUDGET:

Scott Guerrero went over the 2015 proposed budget to be presented at the Congregational meeting on Sunday, February 8. Budget changes as discussed and agreed by the GB will be incorporated into the final budget.

WALDORF SCHOOL OF ST. LOUIS and PEACE UCC:

A meeting was held to discuss possibilities of further integrating facilities and grounds space between the two entities. During discussion, it was noted that this is in a very preliminary stage.

It was MSP that we will implement a process to more intentionally explore expanded use of the facility within the framework of our Future Story. This will include but not be limited to discussions with the Waldorf School. (one abstention)

ADULT EDUCATION:

Meetings will be held on Sunday, February 1 and 8 during adult education for opportunities to obtain information re finances, programs, etc. prior to the congregational meeting, Feb 8. The treasurer and president will help lead these meetings.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING AGENDA, FEBRUARY 8:

President, Joe Kelly, stated that he will email the proposed agenda to GB members.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m. The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 17, 2015 at 6:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Norma Leuthauser, Secretary