

Peace United Church of Christ
Governing Body Meeting
May 19, 2015

IN ATTENDANCE: Bob Molsberry, Jenny Davis, Scott Guerrero, Marilyn Stavenger, Norma Leuthauser, Gary Boehnke, Betsy Reznicek, Debbie Gregg, Joe Kelly, Jean Karr, Grace Morris, Kathy Cormack (People team)

NOT IN ATTENDANCE: Al Schon, Therese Cristiani

Joe Kelly called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

MINUTES:

It was MSP to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2015 GB meeting.

FINANCE:

Scott Guerrero, reported that financial statements through April 30, 2015 are not available due to a computer glitch but will be mailed to GB members ASAP. Thru 3/31/2015, there was a \$1,945 deficit of income over expenses and about \$5,000 shortage in envelope giving. The Peace Foundation continues to deliver funds to the budget, expected about \$30,000 this year.

REFRESH CAMPAIGN

Scott Guerrero reported that funds continue to be received and there is now \$18,500 for the Projects team to spend. The downstairs women's restroom is first priority; help is needed in choosing furnishings. The narthex entrance and downstairs hall tiles are other priorities; the safety of the downstairs hall tiles was questioned. The Refresh Projects team is now under the Facilities team.

PEACE UCC FOUNDATION:

Scott Guerrero stated that the Peace UCC Foundation would like to make a presentation to the GB at the June meeting.

PEOPLE TEAM REPORT:

Kathy Cormack reported that Sara Webster has agreed to head the Worship team and Melissa Hattman has agreed to be the Secretary of the Governing Body. Kathy continues to work on other team needs.

SERVANT Team:

Betsy Reznicek stated that the team is evaluating and exploring ideas to involve the congregation in the outside church giving; perhaps highlighting a specific charity in many ways for a period of time; meetings will be scheduled with the congregation to gain their insights. This may affect the 2016 church budget.

SAFE CHURCH POLICIES:

Debbie Gregg, Learning Team, stated she is still looking at changes for the safe church policies; there is an updated version on the United Church of Christ website. This was used as a basis when drafting the original version. Staffing plays an important role in the policies. These revisions will be presented to the GB at a later meeting, aiming for the June meeting.

SHARED SPACE CIRCLE:

Joe Kelly reported the circle has been expanded to include Debbie Gregg, Learning; Betsy Reznicek, Servant; Ken Ulmer, Finance; Gary Boehnke, Facilities, and a member from the Worship team. These would be added to existing members: treasurer, financial coordinator, pastor, president. Joe would like to have a meeting between the Shared Space Circle and the Waldorf School.

SEMI-ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING:

The date was set for Sunday, July 26, immediately following the second service. An agenda will include: approval of February 8, 2015 minutes, elections, financial report, shared space report, search committee report, etc.

PASTOR'S REPORT:

Betsy Reznicek has been invited to join the board of the Mo-Mid South Conference.

General Synod: Bob Molsberry stated that he has been chosen to be a theological reflector following two business sessions, will be given a Disability Ministries award and will also be in a film to highlight disability awareness to be shown on the floor of the convention.

Bob will be on vacation two weeks late July and two weeks early August.

PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE REPORT:

A member of the committee will make a report to the congregation.

FUTURE PLANS:

Joe Kelly asked that GB members read Our Future Story before the June 16 GB meeting; to brainstorm on ideas and plans for Peace UCC moving forward into the future as a new leader is welcomed. Gary Boehnke stated that the future story does not include the 212 building or the church grounds.

The End of the Year Picnic will be Sunday, June 7.

The next GB meeting will be June 16, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Norma Leuthauser, Secretary