

## Minutes

### CLC Meeting, Wednesday, June 20, 2018, 5:15, Beacon, Purple Room

**Present:** Bill Towler, Roz Clark, Rich Clark, Terry White, Kay Johnson, Dora Harrison, Carl Taylor, Sue Strobel, Char Tarashanti, Nancy Paxton.

- I. **Call to Order, Opening Words, Check-In** – Check-in was skipped, however, when Anne Wittke arrived she shared that Barry has been diagnosed with a very rare form of cancer in his sinuses. They just learned this on Tuesday and are in the process of finding specialists, surgeons, etc. We were all shocked; our hearts go out to both Barry and Anne. They may need help from the Caring Circle as his treatment progresses. (Kevin was notified.)
- II. **Minutes from CLC and Board ; Report from Board** – these documents were attached to the agenda.

Dora reported that the Board has been working diligently on updating the Bylaws, policies and charters. She asked if any Committee chair minded the Board adding that their committee would assist, as individuals, with greeting and hospitality in general, rather than sending the charter back for that addition. Making grammatical and typo corrections without sending back was also ok. The content of the charters has been reviewed and most are fine, with a few tweaks. The Board and the CoSM have completed and submitted their evaluation of the minister to UUA. The minister also does a self-evaluation and that will be completed by Friday.

- III. **A. Collection Plate Sign-Up** – New Collection Plate Sign-up needed. Kevin will remind Caleb;  
**B. Calendars.** The committee used their electronic calendars and memories to update. Dora reminded that July 14 is the retreat of the Committee Chairs, the Board and the Committee on Shared Ministry. Starts at 9:30 for everyone; 12:00 Potluck; 1-3:00 p.m Board meets; Ideas offered a) Trust; conversations re: what we have in common; b) consensus, c) possibly RE and Newcomers, but this may be sensitive. Ideas are welcome.  
Aug. 4 is Beacon Retreat Day  
July 29 is congregational meeting to vote on REI  
Sept. 2 is picnic  
Char will ensure that these are on the calendar.  
Dennis will be recognized on Sunday, June 23. Rich suggested a special nametag for past presidents noting their past service. No one was assigned to do the research although all thought it was a good idea.
- IV. **Annual Reports** - See Attachment. Two additional committee reports will be added.
- V. **Committee Moments** – The committee agreed to postpone until next year the two committee reports that are pending – Worship Associates and CLC.
- VI. **Proposals and Updates**
  - A. **Policy and Guidelines/Best Practices for Political Activity by Beacon** - See Attachment. Roz presented a report from a small task group (Roz, Terry, Dennis, Dora and Rev. Kev) re policies and best practice procedures related to political

activity within the church. This issue arose due to perhaps overzealous requests for signatures on issues as well as experiences related to candidates who showed up at one of the SJA movies. Roz reported that the UUA provides substantial information related to the subject in a document called the Real Rules. Churches cannot advocate for or against candidates, nor have specific candidate sponsored event on its premises. However they can advocate and lobby on issues, as long as it is not attached to a specific political individual. *How* we do this was a part of the proposal. The proposed process is in the attached document, but in summary, it proposes;

- church leader must be notified if an individual wishes to obtain signatures,
- announcement made at service,
- a spot in the kitchen or outside selected for activity,
- after service only
- no pressure

The CLC voted to forward the proposal to the Board with some tweaks in the final document. It was suggested that the policy be placed on our website and that hard copies be kept in the greeter cabinet for people who are unfamiliar with process.

B. **Update from the Safety Subcommittee related to Gun Violence.** Sue Strobel, Carl Taylor, Theresa deBoer, Terry White make up subcommittee. Originally, it was suggested that there be a "Safety Sunday" scheduled in July. It appears this needs to be delayed until September to prepare and to find a speaker. Sue will continue to contact law enforcement for a speaker. Bill Pribil was suggested. Char will take the topic to the Worship Associates to determine a date. The service would consist of a 15 to 20 minute presentation, presentation of a plan and then the conduct of an exercise. It was suggested that other areas of safety such as cardiac arrest be addressed in addition to gun violence. Also suggested that the date selected coincide with a previous church shooting. It is possible that CVT might work on host/greeter training. Sue will continue to work with Char re a date and the content of service. A report on what has been done already would be appropriate. Rich asked that there be agreement of what constitutes consensus with respect to the vote on July 29.

VII. **Standing Committee Reports.** These reports were taken out of order and not all were covered due to time constraints.

A. **Building Repair, Expansion** - , a brief report was made about current activities and all were invited to the Building Expansion Committee to be held on Thursday afternoon at 5:30. There are two alternative plans that have been drawn and for which estimates have been requested; The original plan has been reviewed for additional reductions; removal of skylights is only deduction found. Estimates are also being made for what the costs would be to do nothing (i.e. what repairs will need to be done no matter what we do). Carl, Andy, Dora and Holly have met to

determine who might be contacted for additional pledges to add to the snowball, which is currently rolling with \$20,000 in commitments.

- B. **Shared Ministry** – Nancy reported above completion of the minister’s evaluation and the completion of the survey (50+ percent participation) and the listening circle that were held re Rev. Kevin’s performance.
- C. **RE** – Kay reported on flyers for Chalice Camp. Suggested that perhaps scholarships could be offered. Flyers were handed out to be posted at Family Food Center, Library, Aquaplex, Y, Women’s Shelter.
- D. **Finance** - financial through the end of May were sent out.
- E. **CVT** – brief report received via email.

The CLC thanked Dora for her service as chair; Dora thanked the CLC for their participation or meant to if she did not!

Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:25.

Notes from meeting taken by Carl Taylor (many thanks); minutes written from the notes by Dora Harrison