

Church Council Notes for 07/22/2024

Present: Sherry Bassi, Grace Munie, Lisa Ross, Tom Finan, Kathy Wire, Lynn Hunt

Absent: Erin Milligan, Larry Dusenbery

Opening words: Lisa Ross

Use of Bookstore Space

Left Bank Books is taking about 1/3 of the books. There has been some suggestion to use it for storage. It was brought up that there are other ideas and it could be used for the larger congregation. It was decided to put a notice in the newsletter, create a form and a suggestion box soliciting ideas from the congregation. Council will collect ideas and then make a recommendation to the Board.

Reports from the Administrator and Policy Board Rep:

Report from the Administrator: Lynn Hunt

Updated the Council on some water issues in the church. Programming wise it is the quiet time of year.

Report from the Policy Board Rep: no report

Reports from Cluster Chairs:

Outreach and Social Action Cluster: Lisa Ross

Social Action and Community Engagement Cluster Organization: An outline of a new organizational structure was presented (see attachment). A few items still need clarification. Once it is finalized with all the participants it will be presented to the Board.

Programming Cluster: Grace Munie

Worship Committee has been planning and coordinating the Summer Services.

RE - There is a sub-group writing a RE Director job description. They would like to have someone in the church fill in for September.

Margaret Weck is in contact with Left Bank books about taking some of the used books.

Library – Dottie Kinscerf is working on organizing the Library and getting it functional.

Stewardship Cluster: Kathy Wire

Has been in conversation with music search people about budget matters.

Facilities cluster: Tom Finan

There was a work day – all the ivy on the Hosmer part of the building was removed.

Collecting samples of aggregate concrete for the front walkway.

Is in consultation with an architect about the roofing and gutter options.

Growth and Engagement Cluster: Erin Milligan (deferred.. out of town)

Sherry Bassi reported that the Membership Committee needs more members as they have recently had people drop off.

Some discussion of the Fellowship Dinner and how to best support it and/or improve it.

Closing Words: Sherry Bassi

Adjournment: 8 pm

**Proposed Reorganization of the Outreach and Social Action Cluster
Social Responsibility Committee - chair tbd**

Meet monthly - includes representatives from the following:

Tabernacle CDC partnership

Toward Justice

- Vigil
- Wash U and slavery project
- Good Trouble congregations/voter engagement

Designated collections task force

Food Outreach

- Trinity Food Program
- Little Free Pantry

Holy Ground Collaborative

- microloan program

Miscellaneous (litter pick-up, fair trade sales)

The following groups to continue to meet independently:

Welcoming Congregations

Partner Church

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