

Church Council Notes for 06/24/2024

Opening words: Sherry Bassi

New Business:

Clark Lecture Funding

Discussion on putting aside funds when programming does not happen. The current policy says that if the money is not appropriated by the Council in a given year the funds remain in the fund. The proposal is to remove two years (23/24 - 7,663 & 24/25 - 8.614) to be available in 2024/2025.

Motion: The Church Council approves the appropriation of the 23/24 & 24/25 funds for the use of a Clark Lecture Committee following the current rules. Moved by Kathy Wire, Second by Grace Munie. **Approved.**

Program Impacts of Staff Changes and Kim's Sabbatical
Project Hope / Tabernacle CDC Committee Engagement

General Assembly – (Kathy Wire) Article II revision was approved. Actions of Immediate Witness on supporting Palestine passed - discussion was tense. AIWs also passed on an action on Climate Change and recognizing that Covid is still dangerous and should be addressed. The by-laws were changed to recognize that transgender, gender fluid, etc are vulnerable populations.

Old Business : Use of Bookstore Space

Building use Long Term Planning

Social Action and Community Engagement Cluster Organization (deferred)

Reports from the Administrator and Policy Board Rep:

Report from the Administrator: Lynn Hunt

We are coming to the end of the Fiscal Year. The new budget will be shared with the Committee chairs. Plans to share financial information mid-year with committees.

Report from the Policy Board Rep: Larry Dusenbury

The Board has a goal of making the Active Hope project with Tabernacle an engaging and fully formed activity of the congregation.

Board Liaisons to Board Committees were assigned:

Sidney Watson – Nomination

Betty Neill - Personnel

Kathy Wilke – Committee on Ministry

Steve Wilke will chair a Sabbatical Committee. Chuck Eby will be the liaison.

The budget was modified to take 1,500 from salaries and add it to guest musicians for the organist interim period.

Board and Council members are encouraged to recruit someone to help them with the greeting.

Board and Council retreat is set for August 24th.

Reports from Cluster Chairs:

Facilities cluster: Tom Finan

An architect is examining the roof bids and the report from the consultant to make a recommendation.

The sign in the front has been refurbished and repairs to the sidewalk have been approved.

Would like to explore the issue of what does the congregation want to do with the church campus more fully.

Sherry Bassi suggested that committees be asked how the space meets current needs and/or ideas for general use. Perhaps Cluster chairs could engage their committees with this question.

Programming Cluster: Grace Munie

RE - Caitlin Hill and Deborah Grant-Cavanaugh are the co-chairs for this year. Rev. Mason is organizing a search committee for a new RE Director. Lynn Hunt is taking on communications for the time being. During the summer nursery care is being provided and supervised free play with volunteers. There will not be enough young people for OWL in the fall.

Worship - Steve Wilke, Annette Peterson and Scott Sinclair are new members of the the committee. Summer programming is all laid out. Bob Chamberlin will be doing the music in August. A mix of other musical people for July.

Stewardship Cluster: Kathy Wire

See Clark Lecture Funds discussion for report.

Outreach and Social Action Cluster: Lisa Ross

Progress is being made on the reorganization of the cluster.

Toward Justice is sponsoring a film viewing and discussion on a movie about climate change (July 14th).

SRC is organizing a Trinity Hot Lunch for July 28th and Designated Collection nominations are due on July 14th.

General discussion on involvement with Tabernacle. Committees could be asked to explore how they could connect with Tabernacle.

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

Next Meeting – July 22nd at 6:30