

**February 24, 2020**

**Church Council Notes**

Present: Erin Milligan, Steve Smidowicz, Lisa Cary, Rosemary Lawton, Charlie Kindleberger, Rev. Kim Mason, Margaret Weck, Lynn Hunt

Opening Words

General Discussion

- A. Auction Follow-Up
  - a. Was financially successful. Will probably be between 15,000 & 16,000.
- B. By-Law Recommendations

Will be presented by the Policy Board at the May annual meeting. For example changing the Program Cluster chair to a lay leader.

Various recommendations were discussed.
- C. Canvass & Budget Requests

Not many budget requests have come in yet.

Canvass is starting this week -- packets will be sent to members, etc. Board and Council members are asked to pledge up front.

Board and Council members may be asked to help with follow-up at the end of the canvass to personally canvass people who have not pledged.
- D. Right Relations Workshop

Policy Board is going to host circle suppers that will have as discussion topics behavioral covenant.
- E. The calendar was reviewed.

Cluster Chair Updates

- A. Facilities - Lisa Cary

March 21st a work day

Getting bids on refinishing the Chapel floor

Planning to re-surface the parking lot this spring

General discussion of financing various projects.
- B. Growth and Engagement - Erin Milligan

Care and Concern has approximately 50 people who help with various needs.

Will continue to reach out to other groups in the cluster.

Council Members were asked if they could host one of the board sponsored Circle Suppers in April.

Membership Committee will take on responsibility for the Fellowship Dinner.

- C. Outreach & Social Action -- Rosemary Lawton  
Social Responsibility is doing 3 presentations on Health Care, Homelessness and Hunger in the coming months.
- D. Programming - Kim Mason  
Kim Mason is leading an Adult RE class on Ethics. May lead a class during the day in April and May.  
Worship is working with the archives to record stories about items in the Sanctuary.
- E. Stewardship - Steve Smidowicz  
A new cluster chair will be needed for next year.  
Working on a preliminary budget -- will include sabbatical line, increase for committees, increase capital maintenance reserve, increase in UUA contribution, cost of living adjustment for staff. Council will review the budget at the March meeting.

#### Old Business

Committee Information -- Margaret Weck has put together a spreadsheet with all the info that is available. Committees and Clusters do not have consistent names. Margaret will share the info so that it can be looked at and names of groups will be finalized.

Categorization of various groups:

Committees, Task Forces & Coordinators, Affinity Groups or Ministries

Groups will be asked to identify the best definition for them.

#### Safety

Safety Manual is ready for the website.

Clint Cruse and Lynn Hunt met with a Safety Consultant who did a walk thru of our building. The Facilities committee will be updated on suggestions, but mostly the consultant was impressed with our Safety plans, etc.

Potential Clark Lecture Speakers were discussed. It was suggested that we look at having a lecture in October. General discussion on how to create a Clark Lecture Committee.

The goal is to have a plan for a committee by the end of March.

#### Closing Words

Notes taken by Lynn Hunt

