

## **Notes for Church Council Meeting November 28, 2022**

**Present:** Cathy Rauch, Erin Milligan, Kevin Kellogg, Kathy Wire, Clint Cruse, Sue Herzber, Lisa Ross, Lynn Hunt

**Opening words:** Kevin Kellogg

### **Check-in**

**Old business-** committee fair follow-up  
Facilities reported that the Fair brought them a lot of new members.  
Young Adult group picked new participants.  
Communications Committee will get organized.

### **Reports**

**Religious Education:** Danielle Kozemczak  
RE numbers are flat and that makes having enough volunteers difficult. People who do not have children in the program do not generally volunteer – it would be helpful to have general congregational volunteer support. Every family is volunteering in some capacity.  
Is considering offering OWL for younger grades in the spring.

**Report from the Administrator:** Lynn Hunt  
Membership certification letters are going out this week. Pledge statements will go out next week.

**Report from the Policy Board Rep:** Erin Milligan  
The Board discussed the Active Hope Project.

**Stewardship Cluster:** Kathy Wire  
Finance Committee needs new members.  
Cluster chairs may be asked to look at current budgets if cash flow is tight. Kathy wants to explore the role of the cluster chairs and finances.  
Auction is moving forward. (Feb. 4th)

**Facilities cluster:** Clint Cruse  
Landscaping is winding down due to the season.  
Memorial Garden Task Force: Tom Finan, Karen Siegrist, Jane Hoekelman are willing to serve on it.  
There is a fairly significant list of large repairs developing.  
Looking at sewer line lateral, RE wing roof, flat roof over Fellowship Hall alcoves, library wall that has water damage (window wells would have to be dug up) and Hosmer Room roof.  
Definite figures are not yet available. It may be necessary to have a capital campaign for some of these repairs.

Facilities and Finance will discuss these projects to create a plan.

**Outreach and Social Action cluster:** Lisa Ross

Partner Church is having their annual bake sale 12/4.

Toward Justice has paused the Saturday vigil until early spring. We are considering 2 different courses for the January-May time frame; will decide soon.

Active Hope project update (I forgot to mention this at the meeting, sorry!) - one-to-one conversations are ongoing. We had only 1 attendee (plus someone visiting from out of town) at our first listening circle 11/13, which was disappointing. Next one is 12/11 - suggestions for increasing attendance welcome! Danielle suggested a short video to use on social media - "Maybe a couple people involved in the project explaining what it is about and why it's happening."

**Growth and Engagement Cluster:** Kevin Kellogg

**Programming Cluster:** Sue Herzberg

**New business:**

**Closing Words:** Kevin Kellogg

**Adjournment**