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Minutes from monthly Board of Trustees Meeting - May 27, 2021

Called to order and recording begun at 7:03 PM

Present via Zoom: Marion Patterson (President), Sue Davis, Charlie Cizio, Marcy Mattison, Steve Hershner, Gary McGraw, Erin Ogle, Marta Hershner, Kris Davis, David Wise, and Rev. Rebecca Hinds

Guests from Social Justice Council: Laura McGraw, Jo Wasta, & Marcia Swift

Chalice Reading by Rev Rebecca

Ritual of farewell and thank you to Charlie and Marta

Welcome to Sue, Kris, Marcy and Steve

Approval of minutes from April 2021 board meeting – Kris moved; Sue seconded; board voted to accept

Regular Business

I. Staff Reports Highlights

- Faith Formation/Technology:
 - o Mailing sent out regarding Faith Formation summer opportunities
 - Two bids have been received for tech upgrade. The Aesthetics team expressed a preference for the TV monitors (sharper image) compared to projectors (larger image). David asked for the board's approval for the Hybrid Taskforce to make a decision. Erin motioned to approve at least \$25,000 for the project. Kris seconded. The board voted unanimously.
- Operations Coordinator:
 - A chain has been added to the West door to prevent it from opening too far and becoming damaged again
 - Pictures of finished siding and portico cladding sent to insurance
- Minister's Report:
 - o 5 People's people will attend the virtual general assembly
- Treasurer's Report:
 - A gift has been received that will cover expenditures for the technological upgrade. The remainder will be applied to the endowment.
 - Finance committee has tweaked the package offer for an interim minister



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II Regular Agenda Items

- Policy Governance, Section 4.9, Emergency Minister Succession
 - The minister does not work in isolation. Rev. Rebecca provided many examples of how her work can be carried on by other staff and volunteers in her absence.
 - Prior to leaving PCUU, Rev. Rebecca will save all relevant files to OneDrive so that it accessible to the interim minister.

III Other Business for the Good of the Church

- Covid 19 protocol June plan
 - Rev. Rebecca proposed Phase 2 which specified 10 people may attend a meeting. However, for services would it be possible to increase the amount of people in the sanctuary to 20 people for the latter half of June. Discussion centered around the matter of whether that number was too low. It was decided to have David and Rebecca discuss the matter further.
- Social Justice Council presents the 8th principle
 - The board was asked to support the pursuit of the plan to form a volunteer taskforce that will study the 8th principle in depth and the longterm implications of its adoption by PCUU. They would also like someone from the board of trustees to be part of the taskforce. Marcy moved to accept; Sue seconded; board was in favor
- Board Responsibility how do we want to be in touch with our congregation?
- Ideas for August Retreat- with Interim Minister

IV Sharing – how are we moving through this time of succession

Chalice Extinguished by and Meeting adjourned 8:28 PM

Next Board Meeting scheduled June 24th