

Flagstaff Federated Community Church

BOARD MINUTES

Tuesday, March 23, 2010

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Communion is served on the first Sunday of the month, at Lenten Soup Suppers, and on special occasions.

CALL TO ORDER –was given by Angie Rockow, President, at 6:00 pm.

TRUSTEES & OTHERS PRESENT – Angie Rockow, Becky Hayes, Bill Crawford, Carol Denmark, Elizabeth Dobrinski, Eudora Larson, Gwen Koreltz, Jed Schenck, Jennifer Cunningham Mott, Karen Appleby, Ken Pinkston, Kent Christensen, Nita Paden, Greg Haynes, Donna Gail Michel, William Wilson

TRUSTEES ABSENT – David Chin (excused), Scott Zeller (excused)

QUORUM PRESENT – 8 needed according to the By-Laws. A quorum was present.

CHECK IN – Angie Rockow led the BOT in a short time of check-in.

OPENING PRAYER – was led by Jed Schenck

CONGREGATIONAL CONCERNS – None

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – Kent Christensen made a motion to accept the agenda is presented. MSP

CLERK'S REPORT & MINUTES

- Regular BOT meeting – Tuesday, February 23, 2010 – Eudora Larson made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected. MSP
- Reminder: Meeting with Randy Bowman, Director of Administrative Services and Conference Treasurer and Finance Ministry Team on Monday, April 19th at 6:00 pm in Room 14. The meeting is open to anyone who would like to attend.
- Review of Records, Presbyterian – Membership rolls, minutes – on Friday, September 10th at Payson Community Presbyterian Church – 11:00 am. The clerk will be present.
- A letter requesting information about Rev. George Logie and grandparents Rev. Frank Reid and Mary Logie was requested by Mary Jo Snipes. Frank Reid and Mary Logie were her grandparents. The information has been sent.
- Copy of the corrected Ministry Team Diagram was handed out.
- New Member volunteer work sheets were shared. They are to be given to team chairman.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED AND SENT

- Note from Mesquite United Methodist Church – Federated has been on their prayer list as part of the Mission Year Book for this year.
- The Desert Connection – United Methodist Church - was passed around.
- Thank you letter from Assistance League of Flagstaff for the use of Rees Hall for a Snowball Slide Pancake Breakfast fund raiser.
- Thank you note from Lutheran Campus Ministry for use of Rees Hall for fund raiser dinner and dramatic presentation.
- Thank you letter from Project New Start School for the use of Rees Hall for a fund raiser.
- Thank you letter from UMCOR for 20 Health Kits sent by PB&J Group
- Menaul Historical Library of the Southwest news letter was passed around.

PASTOR'S REPORT – a verbal report by Jed Schenck was given. The written report is on file in the church office.

- Jed felt that the video shared with the congregation during the March 21st worship was a bit too long but was well received. He heard a number of positive comments about his March piece in the Bell Tower regarding the acceptance of gays and lesbians in the church. The BOT decided to hold a Town Hall Meeting to discuss the recommendation that Federated affiliate with both the More Light Presbyterians and Reconciling Ministries Network of the UMC.
- Hospital visits to Bill Lyon, Georgia Moore, Connie Jensen (Phoenix), and Misty Clark.
- Five premarital counseling sessions were conducted.
- One wedding ceremony (offsite) – Missy Mack & Jim Whitehead on March 1, 2010.

PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S REPORT – a written report by Karen Appleby is on file in the church office.

- Karen reported that the next adult study will be entitled “Haiti” and will be on Sundays, April 11th, 18th and 24th. Various aspects of Haiti will be studied and then the congregation will assist in assembling Health Kits to be sent to Haiti.
- Vacation Church School will be held July 12th to 16th.
- The Confirmation class begins on April 18th.
- A celebration and gift will be presented to Brenda Hooser during Fellowship Hour on Sunday, May 16th.
She will begin seminary next semester.
- Vacation Church School supplies were purchased several months early at a savings of 30%.

MINISTRY TEAM PLANS, GOALS, & ACTION REPORTS

Boy Scout Troop 31 – New member Michelle Gray will act as the representative for the troop.

Buildings & Grounds – written report by Mick Henry is on file in the church office.

- Gwen Koreltz reported that Pat Loven has volunteered to manage the church rental property.
- The church van has been repaired at a cost of \$2,429.
- Problems were identified with panic door hardware. It was approved unanimously that a bid from Guaranteed Door should be accepted for \$2,200 to replace hardware. This should help provide better building security.

Care - Angie Rockow reported that the group participated in the Strategic Direction Charette by Karen Appleby.

- The group delivered meals to the Davis and Cosner families at the birth of their new babies.
- Flowers were delivered to Bill Lyon and Georgia Moore, both recovering from recent surgery.

Christians for the Earth – Jennifer Cunningham-Mott reported that the group would be participating in the Earth Day celebration to be held on the city hall lawn on Sunday, April 18th.

Church Promotion – Nita Paden reported that banners have been ordered for the front doors to the sanctuary.

- The Dex Ad has been signed and submitted.
- Corrections have been made to the church web site.

Discipleship – Bill Crawford reported that the youth mission trip to New York has been set for June 13th to 19th.

Fellowship – Eudora Larson reported that “goodies” will be served during Coffee Fellowship on Easter Sunday. Members of the BOT are asked to bring their favorite treat to share.

Finance & Treasurer – a written report by Donna Gail Michel is on file in the church office.

- Donna Gail reported that there will be a meeting with Randy Bowman on April 19th. The meeting will address the Methodist Apportionment.

Foundation Team – No Report

Inquirer – Brenda Hooser (Seminary Student)

Lay Leaders – William Wilson pointed out that with the warmer weather more homeless people will be coming to Flagstaff and they will be looking for support from area agencies.

- He spoke to the positive efforts of Healing Waters International and Heifer Project.

Membership - Elizabeth Dobrinski –made a motion to accept the New Member Class. They attended at least one membership class and met individually with Jed Schenck. MSP

Community Roll:

Bill Gray – Community Roll # 515 by Reaffirmation of Faith

Mary Towle Harmon – Community Roll #516 by Reaffirmation of Faith

John Harmon – Community Roll #517 by Reaffirmation of Faith

James Whitehead – Community Roll #518 by Reaffirmation of Faith

Methodist Roll:

Zita Bratt – Methodist Roll # 989 by Reaffirmation of Faith

Michelle Gray – Methodist Roll #990 by Reaffirmation of Faith

Presbyterian Roll:

Joyce Speer – Presbyterian Roll #857 by Reaffirmation of Faith

Nominating Team – No Report

Outreach & Social Action – Becky Hayes reported that the group is continuing with their collection of items for the Haiti Health Kits. They will be participating in the adult Sunday school class helping to assemble the kits, also.

Personnel – No Report

Stewardship – No Report

Worship & Music – Greg Haynes reported that Sunday, April 11th will be Youth Sunday, Sunday, April 18th is Earth Sunday and the organ concert to honor the completion of the organ repair will be held from 4:00 to 6:00 pm on the 18th.

- The team discussed the etiquette of the congregation prior to worship. Jed has made a special PowerPoint slide directed at beginning to “center” for worship when the Prelude begins.

OLD BUSINESS

- Strategic Planning Team

The form: “Ministry Team Report to the FFCC Board of Trustees” – in response to discussion regarding lack of communication between ministry teams and the BOT at the February meeting the form was reviewed and changes made. It will be emailed to each BOT member for use.

NEW BUSINESS

- Discussion, Ideas, and Action regarding Rev. Landsberry’s sermon on RETHINK church – tabled at the January meeting until the March meeting.
- Jed Schenck asked that the BOT attend the Town Hall Meeting on Sunday, March 28th at 2:00 pm. It is important that everyone attend to get a feel for how the congregation regards the proposal to affiliate with More Light Presbyterians and Reconciling Ministries, UMC.
- There will not be a congregational vote due to our church polity. It will be a BOT vote that will determine the affiliation.
- Treasurer, Donna Gail Michel asked for guidance from the BOT. Following discussion, Donna Gail asked for the adoption of two motions:
 1. That the current accounting system be updated at an approximate cost of \$40. It has not been updated since 2006. This would update the system and add technical support. MSP
 2. That the BOT authorize access to the current system and that the Treasurer be allowed to learn the operation of the accounting system and if necessary that she be allowed to add online bank statements so that an accurate balance of funds can be determined. MSP

PRESIDENT’S REMARKS – Angie Rockow thanked everyone for their leadership on the BOT.

ADJOURNMENT

CLOSING PRAYER – was led by Jed Schenck.

Respectfully submitted,

Clerk