Minutes

Board Meeting June 19, 2019 6:30-8:00 pm

(approved Aug. 21, 2019)

Attending: Mary Carvajal (chair), Dana Alzouma, Glenn Griffin, Brian Haugen, Christy Shannon, Peter Shaw, Elsa Strong, Rev. Strauss, Colleen Dolak (emeritus), Bruce Baskett, Mark Shannon

Opening Words and Chalice Lighting

Elsa Strong opened the meeting. The May 22, 2019 Minutes were approved unanimously.

The Associate Minister's housing allowance of \$31,524.94 was unanimously approved, moved by Christy Shannon, second by Glenn Griffin.

Discussion and Discernment

Canvass

Mark Shannon and Bruce Baskett reported on the final results of the Canvass for the FY19-20. We attained 87.4% of our goal of \$672,562: 205 pledges of \$567,709 and \$20,550 from one-time gifts. The Total Canvass was \$588, 259. Ninety-two pledgers increase their pledge. In 2019 the average pledge was \$2769 (\$2577 in 2018) and the median pledge was \$1800 (\$1590 in 2018).

The Board greatly appreciated the leadership and hard work by the 2019 Canvass Team (Sue Hedges, Mark Shannon, Bruce Baskett, Julie Robinson, Susie Spangler, Andy and Melissa Moore).

Budget

The draft 2019-20 budget was reviewed comprehensively. Discussion focused on ways to bring expenses into alignment with current needs. All categories were considered. Three changes identified were:

- *Transfer of \$648 from the Board Initiative Fund.
- *Transfer of \$3000 from the Aesthetics Fund.
- *Approval of the 2019-2020 budget of \$789,383 including a deficit of \$31,701.

The motion to approve the above changes was unanimous, moved by Dana Alzouma, seconded by Brian Haugen.

Staff Updates:

Rev. Strauss reported that Rev. Rebekah will be the minister on duty for the month of July. The interim minister begins August 1, 2019. Adrian Graham has begun ministerial studies at Wesley Seminary in Wash., D.C.

Social Justice and Shared Plate Policy

The Board needs to discuss this further and explore guidelines, history, experiences and perspectives.

Board Summer Retreat

Mary Carvajal said the meeting will be held at her home, July 14, 1-5 pm

Reports:

Reports from the rental and marketing team, and the database project were postponed.

Closing: Brian Haugen closed the meeting.

Action Items:

- 1. Committee List/Budget Allocation Communication Process—Mary Carvajal
- 2. July 14 Retreat Information Mary Carvajal
- 3. Final Approved Budget Christy Shannon

Calendar:

July 14, 1-5 pm – Board Retreat

Aug. 4, interim minister introduction

Aug. 4, after service, informal brief Board meeting with Rev. Olson Peebles, Bldg.4

Aug. 21, Board meeting with Rev. Olson Peebles