

CMCL Council Meeting: July 15, 2024 – 7PM, Grant Street Building

Present: Mike Sharp, Leslie Homer-Cattell, Drew Brubaker, Beth Oberholtzer, Hope Sholly, Deb Van Pelt, Laurel Martin, Larry Groff, Margaret Krumm, Marlene Reiff, David Stallings

Absent: John King

1. Opening - Margaret

Reading from *The Impossible will take a Little While*

2. Approval of June Minutes

Drew motions to approve the June Council Minutes. Laurel seconds. All in favor.

ACTION: June Council Minutes approved.

3. Finance Updates

a. June Financial Reports

- 10 months into budget year
- Offerings are lagging behind from last year by \$14,500
- Currently at a \$7,000 deficit
- Estimated EOY deficit: \$23,000
- Expenses all in line except for **P&J:Community Outreach** (due to Saturday breakfast costs)
- Reserves are strong at \$226,000

Beth motions to approve the June Financial Report. Margaret seconds. All in favor.

ACTION: June Financial Report approved.

b. 2024-25 Budget Updates

- 86 responses (totaling \$424,993.33) to the invitation to give email.
- Current total estimated giving for next year: \$529,467.66.
- Will make an overall deficit totalling \$16,308.

c. Auction Idea

Meredith Fisher had the idea to hold an annual auction to fund senior youth programming. She plans to reach out to Blossom Hill, who has done this in the past, for ideas. Leslie will let her know that, in general, Council supports the idea if a group of people want to plan and hold an event like this. If that happens, the group will be asked to send their specific plan to Council.

4. Staff Relations Committee

a. June Staff Reports

Council reviewed June staff reports.

Marlene motions to approve the June staff reports. David seconds. All in favor.

ACTION: June staff reports approved.

b. Interim Pastor Search

Continuing to search for an Interim Pastor. No updates.

5. Need new members in the following committees:

a. Administrative Pastor Search

-So far, one volunteer agreed to be on this committee. The committee still needs four more members, ideally by September.

b. Council

-One person is interested, but they can only meet later in the evening. Next year, council meetings may start around 7:30pm.

-One more recruit needed.

c. Leadership Selection

-Still searching for three people. One to join immediately, two to start in January.

Marlene moves that we ask Pauline Zimmerman to continue her position in the Leadership Selection Committee. Laurel seconds.

ACTION: Marlene will ask Pauline to continue on the Leadership Selection Committee.

d. ACC Delegates

-Three recruits needed. Margaret volunteered to be a delegate.

Council compiled a suggested list of names for people to reach out to in order to fill the above committee spots. Each member was assigned someone to ask.

7. Welcome Response Safety Plan

-The Welcome Response Safety Plan intends to create a caring presence and safe environment during worship services. The plan proposes that CMCL have a designated welcome/response person in the sanctuary every Sunday. This individual will remain alert during Sunday worship and have the skills to de-escalate any unanticipated situations that may occur.

Margaret motions to approve the Welcome Response Safety Plan as written. Beth seconds. All in favor.

ACTION: Welcome Response Safety Plan approved.

9. Upcoming Congregational Meeting

To be discussed:

- a. Leadership Roster
- b. Budget
- c. Year-End Financial Reports
- d. Interim Pastor Search Update

e. Pastoral Search Committee Update

10. Next Meeting

- **August 19th 7:00PM** - David provide opening

11. Adjourn

Drew motions to adjourn the meeting. Deb seconds. All in favor.

Action: Meeting adjourned.

Future Agenda Items

MCC Policies update

Council Communication

Notes: Hope Sholly