

## **CMCL Church Council Agenda December 1, 2016**

**Present:** Amanda Stoltzfus, Malinda Clatterbuck, Susan Gascho-Cooke, Lamar Weaver, Larry Groff, Beth Oberholtzer, Adam Miller, Sue Stoesz, John Thomas

**Absent:** Katy Heinzl, Sarah Shirk, Cynthia Stayrook, Cheryl Weber

1. Opening-Amanda Stoltzfus
2. Approval of November Minutes—It was clarified that the training for safe church includes clearances, as well as education. It was moved, seconded and approved that the November Minutes be accepted as amended.
3.
  - a. MOOS Director-Amber Rieger. Amber handed out the MOOS Director's Report. MOOS' hours have expanded in both directions—beginning and end of previous hours. Due to Amber's upcoming maternity leave, the MOOS board is looking for an interim director. A current volunteer is willing to be a part-time director during Amber's maternity leave.
  - b. CMCL's children's and Peace School offerings will be going towards MOOS this year. MOOS is looking for grants to help their budget, and is considering a fundraiser night with the Lancaster Barnstormers.
  - c. MOOS has been approached by other schools regarding potentially expanding the MOOS program to other schools. There was a suggestion that MOOS become a 501(c)(3) organization in order to expand its reach and sustainability, as well as applying for the Extraordinary Give.
  - d. Amber will be meeting with Covenant United Methodist's board within the near future. (MOOS board has 7 representatives). Jerry Lee Miller is the chair of MOOS board, and Barbara Niemershiem is on the board. There was discussion that the MOOS board needs to be doing the fundraising for the program.
4. Facilities Committee-Chair Kelvin Mack: Postponed.
5. Budget update—Everyone received an email with budget information.
6. Continue Discussion of Child Safety at CMCL—There was discussion regarding the request for training and clearances for council, pastoral staff and persons with key fobs. Malinda clarified that her personal proposal for council would be to just go through training, but not clearances. The Safe Committee had met and requested that further discussion happen between Malinda, Susan and council regarding this issue.
  - a. There was consensus that pastoral team and council be requested to undergo the training, but not need the clearances. There was a suggestion that a council

meeting time be used to have the training for council, which was moved, seconded and approved.

- b. Pastoral Team—tabled.
  - c. Key Fob Holders—tabled.
7. Discerning Staffing needs—
- a. Katy has had conversations with Sherrill Hostetter from the Samaritan Counseling Center regarding the possibility of having Sherrill work with CMCL regarding staffing needs. The Structure Committee is hoping to give input on this process, and want the consultant to focus on the church's pastoral leadership, rather than on CMCL's structure. CMCL has 3 x \$100 (2016) Samaritan Counseling Center vouchers to be used, which would help defray the cost. Sherrill proposes to spend 5-7 hours in December of 2016, meet with several people, possibly individually or as a group (Rod Houser is willing to be one of those people; someone from council, and perhaps someone from the Structure Committee), and then have Sherrill report to council in January of 2017. It was agreed to go ahead with Sherrill Hostetter from Samaritan Counseling Center, and Katy will contact Sherrill regarding this. Julia Schrock-Rosenfeld was suggested as being the person from Structure Committee, and Katy Heinzl from counsel to be part of this process. Katy will contact Julia Schrock-Rosenfeld.
    - b. Another proposal for consulting was from Parish Resource Center.
    - c. Dan Hess, Konterra Group, was also approached about consulting.
8. Drew Hart—Susan & Lamar
- a. Drew Hart, blacktivism activist, author and professor, is being invited by Ridgeview Mennonite Church to come and lecture on Sunday, January 8, 2017 and are inviting other congregations to participate as sponsors and underwrite Drew's fee. Counsel agreed to co-sponsor the event with \$200. Susan will work out the details and advertise the event in CMCL's bulletin.
9. Any new business—None.
10. Pastor's Report—Susan gave her report. (There is a possibility of a person to support Pastoral Team with preaching, worship leading, etc. being available to start the beginning of 2017.)
11. Volunteer for January opening—Malinda Clatterbuck volunteered to open.
12. Adjournment (next Council meeting January 5, 2017)