NRPC April Session Meeting

Date:4/17/2023

<u>Session members</u>: Matt Bales, Todd Barlow, Stormy Ingold, Dave Albert, Julie Fotheringham, Eric Judy, Jennifer Worth, Charmane Dail, Krista Wright, Debbie Freer, Danny Heather, Keith Livengood.

Rev. Lisa Hebacker, John Grovenstein, Terri Nicotera

Excused: Brandon Melton, Jerry Thompson

<u>Absent</u>: n/a

Also in attendance: Becky Pyrch, Deacon; Lynda Menzel, Advocate

<u>Called meeting to open</u>: Time: 6:31 PM Person: Rev. Lisa Hebacker Quorum Declared: Yes

<u>Devotional and opening prayer</u>: Debbie Freer Spiritual Spring Cleaning and the Fruits of the Spirit.

Agenda adopted: Common consent.

Report from Teaching Elder/Pastor: Rev. Lisa Hebacker

Ju's exit interview was discussed and the NRPC's pipe/electric organ was discussed whether it was appropriate for our church or if it was detrimental to music and worship. It was decided that an exploratory committee should be formed to discuss the organ and the future musical physical plant, but such an endeavor should take place post FMB completion because it may require a capital campaign. It is suggested that the January 2024 Session retreat may be an appropriate discussion time.

There was discussion concerning the role of the Session and leadership in the church as a follow up to the Health Congregations workshopping facilitated by the Lombard Mennonite Peace Center.

Report from Teaching Elder/Associate Pastor: Rev. Brandon Melton

A written report was provided with a request for two motions:

Motion: Motion that CE be able to collect donations for food during Bible 201 and charge for a meal.

Moved: Dave Albert

Second: Danny Heater

Discussion: The motion was amended in discussion.

Amended Motion: NRPC committies can collect donations or chard for meals.

Discussion: It was discussed what bidget line item this would go under and that will be determined by the finance committee.

Vote: Unanimous.

Motion: Motion to approve the grant request for the Passion Driven Ministry.

Moved: Dave Albert

Second: Charmain Dail

Discussion: There was discussion of this was a one-time grant or recurring. This is for one time but may be requested multiple times. There are minimal administrative requirements for NRPC.

Vote: Unanimous.

Omnibus Motion: The outreach committee's motion to provide \$1000.00 to Samaritans Purse was redacted from the Omnibus Motion. The Motion contained the 3/17/2023 and 3/19/2023 Session minutes.

Motion- Kieth Livengood Second- Matt Bales

Vote: Unanimous

Reports from committees

Written reports submitted prior to the Meetings of the Session may not be noted in Session minutes if there is no discussion, but they will be included in the Session Meetings Agenda. Worship report was provided by Stormy Ingold. NRPC welcomes a new organist.

C.E. report was provided by Debbie Freer

Fellowship and Engagement given by Krista Wright

The Deaconate report was given by Becky Pyrch.

Outreach report was provided by Dave Albert

Motion: Motion by Dave Albert from Outreach Committee - Approval of \$1000.00 to be donated to Samaritan's Purse for disaster relief in Mississippi from discretionary funds (yard sale).

Second- n/a from a committee

Discussion: There was discussion about why Samaritan's Purse would receive these funds and not a different organization like Presbyterian Disaster Assistance which is aligned with PCUSA mission and values statements.

Vote: Yea (0), Nay (11), Abstain (1)

Discussion: Can the session support the spirt of Outreach Committee's motion and choose a different aid organization that would aid victims in Mississippi directly.

Motion: Motion by Dave Albert for Session to provide \$1000.00 from discretionary funds to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance.

Moved Stormy Ingold Seconded Keith Livengood.

Vote: Unanimous

Stewardship was given by Matt Bales. There was discussion about using VINMO. VINMO charges a reduced fee. The committee will make a future motion to use VINMO..

Mission and Vision was provided by Charmane Dail.

Building and Grounds report was provided and a leaky trailer window was discussed.

Finance Committee reports income is up and we have 244 days of funds on hand.

Motion: The softball team wants \$300 dollars for entry fees for league play.

Moved: Kieth Livengood Second: Charmain Dail

No discussion

Vote: Yea(11), Nay(0), Abstain(1)

A Risk Management and HR given by Jennifer Worth.

Debbie Freer provided a nominating committee report.

The Technology and Communications report was provided by Todd Barlow

Special Topics

FMB renovation. Despite supply chain problems and related material delays, progress is being made on the renovation.

<u>Meeting Closing</u>: Motion by Danny Heater, seconded by Charmain Dail. Time: 8:24 PM

Closing Prayer: Todd Barlow