

IUCC MINISTRIES BOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 12, 2015

Officers of the Church present:

- Chair of the Ministries Board, Dawn Price
- Moderator, Anne Rosse
- Ministries Board Clerk, Elizabeth Rodriguez

Ministry and Committee Chairs present:

- Chair of Mission & Service, Felicity Figueroa
- Chair of Advocates for Peace & Justice, Howard Emery
- Chair of Stephen Ministry, Dave Schofield
- Chair of Fellowship, Alyssa Cornett
- Chair of Adult Education, Jim Aynes
- Chair of Hospitality, Pat Sauter
- Chair Music, Larry Gates
- Chair of Outreach, Chris Redrich
- Co-Chair of New Member Development, Renae Boyum
- Co-Chair of Young People's Ministry, Meredith Anderson
- Co-Chair of Congregational Care, Kathi Smith

Staff present:

- Paul Tellström, Senior Pastor
- Michael Spindle, Church Administrator
- Sarah Fiske-Phillips, Director of Ministry for Young People
- Matthew Redrich, Interim Adult Education and Media Director

Visitors present: Tommie Kozlov

Call to Order

Dawn Price called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Felicity Figueroa led the opening prayer/meditation, which was a quote from Howard Thurman.

Minutes

Minutes from the November 10, 2014 meeting were approved after making some corrections (moved by Jim Aynes, seconded by Elizabeth Rodriguez – motion passed unanimously).

I. Calendar – Changes and highlights

- Jan 24 Winter Party in Plumer Hall at 6pm (Casino Night)
- Jan 27 Adult Education at 3pm
- Feb 1 Mission and Service Ministry Meeting in Plumer Hall at 12:30pm (1st Sunday of the month)
- Feb 8 TIO Potluck Event February 8th at 12:30pm
- Mar 8 Stephen Ministry Meeting in Plummer Hall at 12:30pm (2nd Sunday of the Month)

Pastor's Report

Pastor Paul distributed his written report, which included the following highlights: (1) Pastor said that this year's attendance slightly surpassed last year's advent Christmas Eve Services. (2) He

advanced his calendar of time away for the 2015 year. (3) The youth in the confirmation class seems to be more engaged than other confirmation classes. (4) Pastor Paul and IUCC will help Sarah to become a "Member in Discernment" (MID) to help her on her path to ministry and continue to assist Matthew and Laura, the other MID's (5) The recording equipment in the sanctuary is old and not working reliably; Matthew will be getting a new recorder. (6) Pastor Paul will be working with our Moderator, Anne, on a new church revitalization project aimed at church growth.

Staff Reports

Sarah Fiske-Phillips

Advent was great. Kids took ownership in the story. Some kids are going to FEB camp, Feb 21st. Young adult group doing well. Many new young families are attending. The new Childcare Attendant is working out well.

Matthew Redrich

There is a new series for the Adult Ed. The Rachel Held-Evans event will not take place in February. Plumer Hall has new speakers and the sound system now has the switch in the front in the top shelf making it easier to access.

Moderator's Report

Anne provided status updates on our 2014-15 priorities. She asked to mark the calendars and attend the Winter Congregational Meeting on Sunday, January 25th after services.

Our focus is in the Congregational Meeting. Everyone should be there. Agenda topics include budget, proposed changes in bylaws and updates on the building project.

The City of Irvine's Conditional Use Permit for our new master plan, originally expected in February, is taking a little longer.

Additions to Ministry Reports

Stephen Ministry (David) - will probably start a new class in March for prospective Ministers. We may collaborate with Laguna Beach United Methodist Church on the Stephen Minister class.

Fellowship Ministry (Alyssa) - Ticket sales for the Winter Party are not going as well as hoped, only 20 tickets have been sold. The committee will need to rethink the expenses if we don't sell at least 70 tickets.

Mission and Service Ministry (Felicity)-There is a group signed up for the AIDS Walk.

Dawn reported that Jen Mirmak will be stepping down permanently from the position of Chair of Worship Ministry. The Worship Team will be meeting to discuss a successor.

Old Business

IUCC 2015 Budget – Anne Rosse reported that we were blessed with our stewardship this year. Not everything could be funded, though. Staff and programming were priority in budgeting. We will plan conservatively and revisit the budget, if needed/possible, in May. The ECC will not be paying rent for the first 6 months this year; there is a provision for two of those months to be paid by the ECC later this year. The ECC rent schedule will be revisited in June along with the rest of the budget. Treasurer Mark Allen has been very ill and has not yet been well enough to finalize the budget with

the year-end 2014 numbers, so the budget has not yet been posted to the web site. Per the bylaws the deadline to post the budget is 14 days prior to the congregational meeting.

New Business

Requirements for IUCC Membership/Education re: Baptism

There was a lot of discussion about this issue and it was expressed that a conversation is needed as an education process about baptism and IUCC membership. Pastor Paul is looking to find a process to start this discussion.

Adjournment

Pastor Paul gave the closing prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

The next Ministries Board meeting will be February 9, 2015.

Respectfully Submitted,

Elizabeth Rodriguez,

Ministries Clerk