

Irvine United Congregational Church
Ministries Board Meeting Minutes
March 10, 2014

Officers of the Church present:

- Chair of Ministries Board, Pat Sauter
- Moderator, Anne Rosse
- Clerk of Ministries Board, Bonnie Shaffstall

Ministry and Committee Chairs Present:

- Chair of Adult Ed, Carol Ballestry
- Chair of Stephen Ministry, Dave Schofield
- Chair of Mission & Service, Felicity Figueroa
- Chair of Advocacy, Dave Smith
- Chair of Worship, Jennifer Mirmak
- Chair of Outreach, Dawn Price
- Historian, Paul Shirey
- Chair, Young Peoples, Meredith Anderson
- Newsletter Editor, Tricia Aynes

Staff present:

- Rev. Paul Tellstrom, Senior Pastor
- Rev. Dr. Jack Cahill, Adult Education Director
- Sarah Fisk-Phillips, Ministry for Young People Director
- Michael Spindle, Administrator
- Pastoral Intern, Matthew Redman

Ministry and Committee Chairs Absent:

- Co-Chair of Congregational Participation, Renae Boyum
- Chair of Music, Larry Gates
- Co-Chairs of Fund Development, Janet Emery
- Co-Care of Congregational Care, Howard Emery
- Chair of Fellowship, Alyssa Cornet
- Co-Chair of Fund Development, Susie Lang
- Co-Chair of Congregational Participation, Randy Romine
- Co-Chair of Congregational Care, Terri Olson
- Youth Group Coordinator, Anne Mallot

Pat Sauter called the meeting to order at 7:09 pm. Matthew Redman gave the opening prayer and the minutes from February 10 meeting were distributed and corrected. Felicity moved to accept the minutes as corrected.

Calendar: the calendars were distributed and event dates were updated:

- 3/12 – 4/9 George Johnson ~ Lenten Classes on Wed. 10am & 7pm.
- March 12 Woman's Fellowship along with dinner of baked potato and all the trimmings.
- March 16 Family Bowling with young people ~ ALL Church Event
- April 2 Women's Fellowship
- April 5 Great American Write-In
- April 12 -Sat. All-Church Workday
- April 12 -Sat. All Church Game Night
- April 13 Palm Sunday
- April 17 Maundy Thursday Service

- April 20 Easter Services
- May 5-5/10 Photo Shoot/Directory, Jean Stewart is the chair.
- May 11 Mother's Day
- May 17, Sat. Aids Walk, Great Park, Red Ribbon Project & 5K Fun Run
- May 23 MYP Parents' Social in Plumer Hall
- May 31 All Ministries Fund Raiser – Bon Vivant
- June 7 Choir Rehearsal – 2-4:30
- June 8 Choir Concert
- June 13/14 Annual Gathering/Chapman
- June 15 Fathers' Day
- June 29 Ice Cream Social

Anne Rosse, Moderator explained that we are nearing the time for May elections. She requested that we let her know, if we are resigning or plan to return for another year. She will be sending out an E-mail regarding the elections.

Pastor's Report: Rev. Paul passed out his report and asked: Do we continue to offer the Ash Wednesday Service, given that the attendance is low and it is fairly labor intensive? There were opinions expressed that were pro and con. It was pointed out that many of our senior members no longer drive after dark, so if we could provide rides for them, that would be helpful. Howard Emery and Terri Olson, Congregational Care will be informed of the need.

Staff Reports:

Sarah Fiske-Phillips reported that the Parent's Night out was a great success & very much appreciated. The youth group is reported to be very solid right now with many activities to look forward to during the summer.

Dr. Jack Cahill reported that attendance is good at his between-services class on Sundays. He continues to hold two Bible Studies on Tuesdays at 2 pm & 6:30 pm, which have a low attendance. The Women's Retreat at Pilgrim Pines will be May 4 & 5. He continues to work on the Jesus Seminar, which will be scheduled sometime from mid-September to mid-November.

Matthew Redman, Pastoral Intern gave his second sermon recently and received praises for it. He reports that he is becoming more comfortable with presenting and is happy for the experience.

Felicity reported for Mission and Services: April will be Genocide Awareness and Prevention Month; she passed out information about the six commemorative films that will be presented throughout Orange County. She also reported on the Aids Walk that will be held at the Great Park on Sat., May 17, 2014, which will have a party atmosphere and tickets can be purchased.

Chair of Outreach, Dawn reported Facebook is now being used for Outreach. She explained that we can have our own page with viewers of our option.

Ministry Moments: 2014 to include coffee hours):

- June 8 Mission & Service; Outreach & Advocates;
- July 13 Worship and Music;
- Sept. 7 Stephen's Ministry.

New Business: Jean Stewart has volunteered to chair the Photo Directory group and on her committee are: Patty McCarthy, Janet Emery, Tommie Kozlov and Tricia Aynes. She is open to other volunteers, as it will take a number of people to schedule and staff the photo shoots.

Dave Smith made a motion to adjourn and **Paul Shirey** 2nd it. We adjourned at 9 pm with a closing prayer by Rev. Paul. Our next meeting will be on Monday, April 14, 2014.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bonnie Shaffstall, Clerk