

**St. Paul's United Church of Christ, Amityville**  
**Consistory Meeting Minutes**  
**January 6, 2021**

**Present** – Marlene Dadey, Peter Dadey, Debbie Davis, Lori Falstich, William Falstich, Brenda Haas, Autumn Herbst, Jackie Hertzog, Michelle Kehoe, Beth Krause, Judy Leister, Melissa Millard, Kay Nyman, Linda Okuniewski, Marsha Pingitore, Doug Reinert, Judy Reitz, Brian Riker, Connie Riker, Alan Ross, Michele Ross, Kathy Weller, Anita Zuber, Richard Zuber, Pastor Steven.

President Alan Ross called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.  
Devotions were given by Autumn Herbst.

**Appointment of Secretary**

**MOTION:** Recommend the appointment of Michelle Kehoe as Secretary.

- **MOTION BY:** D. Davis                      **SECOND:** K. Weller                      **VOTE:** All in favor

**Appointment of Treasurer**

**MOTION:** Recommend the appointment of Peter Dadey as Treasurer.

- **MOTION BY:** J. Leister                      **SECOND:** A. Zuber                      **VOTE:** All in favor

**Pastor's Report**

- Report was emailed.
- Pastor prayed for country in light of today's events.
- Welcomed and certified new member of Consistory Richard Zuber, Kay Nyman, and Lori Falstich.

**President's Report**

**Alan Ross, President**

- A. Ross reported 4 Thank you cards were received.

**Approval of Minutes**

**MOTION:** Approve the December 4, 2020 meeting minutes as corrected.

- **MOTION BY:** M. Ross                      **SECOND:** C. Riker                      **VOTE:** All in favor

**Treasurer's Report**

**Peter Dadey, Treasurer**

	<u>December 2020</u>	<u>2020 YTD</u>
<b>Income</b>	\$82,988.74	\$449,561.31
<b>Expenses</b>	\$27,497.91	\$400,874.86
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	\$55,490.91	\$ 48,686.45

- P. Dadey reported that \$41,500 PPE Loan amount is included in income. Without PPE Loan a surplus of \$7,186.45 for end of year 2020.

**Budget, Finance & Stewardship**

**Jackie Hertzog, Committee Chair**

- J. Hertzog reported Paul Kopec is working on the stewardship letter.
- Letters of 2020 Annual Giving will go out by end of month.

**Christian Education ("CE")**

**Judy Reitz, Committee Chair**

- Pastor Steven and Marlene trained 4 additional acolytes.
- Hoped to host 2 Sunday School activities in December, but the second one was canceled due to going back to virtual services.
- The second year confirmation class will begin a virtual Bible Study of the Book of Mark beginning this Sunday with Pastor Steven. Marlene will participate as well to fulfill the Safe Church Policy.
- Next Zoom meeting is scheduled for January 19.

### **Church and Ministry**

**Richard Zuber, Committee Chair**

- No report.
- Next meeting is scheduled for January 11<sup>th</sup>.

### **Evangelism**

**Linda Okuniewski, Kay Nyman Co-Committee Chairs**

- No report.
- Next Meeting is scheduled for January 19<sup>th</sup>.

### **Facilities**

**Doug Reinert, Ed Merkel, Committee Co-Chairs**

- D. Reinert reported only a few minor repairs since last meeting.
- Committee will be meeting to look ahead to consider some projects for the upcoming year.
- Spoke with Halter Landscaping to improve snow plowing and shoveling for the next storm which will include us putting the orange markers in the flower beds to give them better visuals when plowing. Marlene had spoken with Halter after the last snow and had the bill reduced 10% due various issues handling the first snow of the season.
- Next meeting in January.

### **Fellowship**

**Melissa Millard, Beth Krause, Committee Co-Chairs**

- No Report.

### **Missions**

**Marsha Pingitore, Brenda Haas, Committee Co-Chairs**

- No Report.
- Meeting in January.

### **SPLASH**

**Gail Clifford, Committee Chair**

- M. Dadey reported SPLASH staff tested positive for COVID. Five children are currently quarantined.
- Fire Safety Training will take place soon.
- Working on sending out 49 tax documents to SPLASH families.

### **Technology Committee**

**Joe Ceklosky, Committee Chair**

- No Report.
- Pastor Steven thanked Committee for all the work done for virtual Christmas Eve Service.

### **Worship and Music**

**Michele Ross, Committee Chair**

- No Report.
- Next meeting scheduled for January 18<sup>th</sup>.

### **Youth Ministry**

**Lori Falstich, Committee Chair**

- No meeting in December.
- Marianne Reinert led the "Car Caroling" efforts on Dec. 13.
- Organized a Christmas greeting for the youth, hand delivered nearly 100 bags to youth in grades 3-11. The bags contained a note from Youth Ministry and chocolate candies to represent the gifts of Advent: hope, peace, joy and love.
- Meeting in January.
- M. Pingitore thanked Lori for note and candy, her boys appreciated it.
- B. Haas stated "Car Caroling" was amazing, thank you to Marianne for planning it.

#### **Youth Leader Search**

- No news to report. Marlin and Lori will continue to meet to evaluate the progress of the search.

### **Deacons**

- No report.

## Elders

- No Report.

## Other Committee Reports

**PUP Committee** – M. Dadey stated Committee met via email.

Recommendation – To continue the following thru the month of January

- No in-person meetings
- No outside groups inside the building
- Continue with ZOOM Meetings for Committees and Groups
- Lifeline Screening to be permitted to use FH in February.
- March wedding to be permitted using same safety protocols as for worship.
- Review monthly prior to Consistory meeting to make a recommendation.

**MOTION:** To accept the recommendation of the PUP Committee

- **MOTION BY:** J. Reitz                      **SECOND:** M. Ross                      **VOTE:** All in favor

## Old Business

### New Business

**Worship Committee** - M. Ross stated that the committee would like to resume in-person worship on January 17<sup>th</sup>. A new phone feature has been added for those who don't have access to a computer; call in and listen to service. P. Steven stated it is important to members to meet in person. M. Ross said the right decision was made to not have in-person service over the Holiday. B. Haas asked about notifying members about in-person services. M. Ross stated notification would take place on-line, on website, and emails. Consistory members discussed in person services.

**MOTION:** to reopen on January 17<sup>th</sup> for in-person service.

- **MOTION BY:** J. Leister                      **SECOND:** J. Reitz                      **VOTE:** All in favor

**Devotions** – will be given by Lori Falstich.

## Expenditure Approvals

- **MOTION:** Approve Christian Education payment request as follows:  
Up to \$100.00 – Curriculum Supplies
- **MOTION:** Approve Custodian payment request as follows:  
\$170.00 – Supplies
- **MOTION:** Approve SPLASH payment request as follows:  
Up to \$300 – Supplies  
\$89 – Annual Fire Safety Training Course
- **MOTION:** Approve Office payment request as follows  
\$110.00 - Stamps
- **MOTION:** Approve Missions Committee payment requests as follows:  
\$700.00 – Bethany Children's Home  
\$50.00 – TEAM - Sarah Racine (Monthly)  
\$50.00 – On Common Ground Kerry Kuhn Street Ministry (Monthly)
- **MOTION:** Approve Worship Committee payment request as follows:  
\$42.20 – Upper Room
- **MOTION:** Approve Facilities Committee payment request as follows:  
\$958.50 – Halter Landscaping

- **MOTION BY:** L. Okuniewski                      **SECOND:** J. Hertzog                      **VOTE:** All in favor

## Adjournment:

- The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 pm.
- Next Consistory meeting was set for February 3, 2021 at 7pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Kehoe  
Secretary