

St. Paul's United Church of Christ, Amityville
Consistory Meeting Minutes
September 5, 2018

Present: Harriet Boyer, Joe Ceklosky, Marlene and Peter Dadey, Naomi Dublanica, Chad Gaiser, Autumn Herbst, Priscilla Knerr, Beth Krause, Judy Leister, Katie Loomis, Anne McLain, Melissa Millard, Linda Okuniewski, Donna Pennypacker, Mitch Racine, Doug and Marianne Reinert, Judy Reitz, Brian and Connie Riker, Alan Ross, Pastor Steven Simpson, Kelly Yanos, Anita Zuber

Vice President Connie Riker called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The members recited the mission statement, and Naomi Dublanica led a brief period of devotions.

Security Committee – *No report*

Pastor's Report:

Pastor Steven shared his "close moments" during the week.

President's Report:

- Brian Riker is coordinating an in-house construction detail to carry out the plans for the new Youth area.
- Consistory members were reminded to submit committee budgets and annual reports.
- The church outdoor signage and website will be updated to reflect the return to the regular worship schedule.

Approval of Minutes:

MOTION: Approve the August 1, 2018, meeting minutes as presented.

MOTION BY: Brian Riker

SECOND: Harriet Boyer

VOTE: All in favor

Treasurer's Report – *Peter Dadey*

	<u>August 2018</u>	<u>2018 YTD</u>
Income	\$50,653	\$324,481
Expenses	\$45,310	\$322,160
Surplus / (Deficit)	\$ 5,343	\$ 2,321

The August 2017 deficit was \$17,119.

Budget & Finance: – *Alan Ross*

- Budget worksheets will be distributed to committee heads
- The 2016 audit has been completed; 2017 has been started, but not yet finished.
- Financial Secretary Lisa Ricci has announced that she will be resigning due to relocation plans

Christian Education ("CE") – *Priscilla Knerr*

- The Congregation was impressed with the Re-Creation's performance on Rally Day.
- Regular Sunday School will resume on September 9.

Church and Ministry – *Marianne Reinert*

- The Committee is seeking a replacement nursery aid.
- Additional meeting(s) will be scheduled to discuss delegation of the Facility Coordinator's duties.

- The Committee is working on staff appraisals. Input from Committee heads with regard to employee performance is welcome.
- **MOTION:** Approve 2018 vision insurance for Marlene Dadey at a cost of \$189.00.
MOTION BY: Marianne Reinert **SECOND:** Alan Ross **VOTE:** All in favor

Evangelism – *Connie Riker for Kathy Weller*

- Oct 7 – New members classes start
- Oct 12 – Ladies Night Out in FLMC
- Oct 23 – Douglassville Halloween Parade. All are welcome to participate.

Facilities - *Doug Reinert*

- Chapel repairs have been completed.
- Construction of the Peach Festival/Multiuse Building has been completed. The original cost estimate was \$32,811, however two (2) change-orders were executed: one to upgrade electric to 100-amp service, and one to redesign the foundation in order to meet code. The final cost totaled \$40,966.40. The Home Association contributed \$25,000, and the remaining \$15,966.40 was committed by members of the congregation.
- Sunstroke Painting is painting the FLMC entrance, library, and Fellowship Hall.
- The Committee is proposing to cover the \$3,800 estimated cost for Sanctuary heater covers with a \$250 private donation, \$2,255 from the Memorial Fund, and the remaining \$1,937 from the Endowment Fund.

Fellowship – *Melissa Millard*

- There is an adequate inventory of supplies, except for coffee cups.
- As there was an overabundance of food left over from the picnic, the committee recommends to cut back on the number of sandwiches that are ordered next year.
- The Committee seeks additional members, as well as volunteers to provide snacks.

Missions – *Donna Pennypacker*

- Curt Clifford delivered 6 storm clean-up buckets to Hamburg.
- Upcoming events:
 - Oct 16 - Coffee & Conversation (9:15 to 10:15 AM)
 - Journey Through Grief sessions
 - Oct 12 – Ladies movie night
 - Oct 14 – CROP walk

Stewardship – *No report*

Technology Committee – *Joe Ceklosky*

- The new phone system has been installed.
- The Committee is compiling an inventory of audio/visual equipment.
- A schedule for operation of the sound system has been implemented and volunteers are being trained.
- The sound board was returned to the Sanctuary, but will be moved back to FLMC during the week of December 3 to support the Christmas Pageant.

Worship and Music – *Judy Reitz*

Altar items and hymnals have been transferred from FLMC back to the Sanctuary.

Youth Ministry – *Mitch Racine*

- Youth Group 7-12, Youth Group 3-6, and Worshiphouse Kids have been meeting throughout the summer.
- There are three tickets available for the Sight and Sound trip.
- Youth Group raised almost \$400 from their Peach Festival activities.
- Starting in October, the Youth Group will be split into 2 groups: Grades 7-9 and Grades 10-12.
- Upcoming events:
 - October 17 – Hope Rescue Mission meal service
 - October 22 - Speaker: Bob Lenz

Deacons - *No report*

Elders – *No report*

Nominating Committee

The Committee continues to compile a slate of 2019 nominees.

Old Business:

Linda Okuniewski will lead the October devotions.

New Business/Expenditure Approvals:

- **MOTION:** Approve \$500 in excess of the Missions Committee budget to donate to St. Peter's UCC in Tremont to assist with recovery from extensive flood damage..
MOTION BY: Alan Ross **SECOND:** Naomi Dublanica **VOTE:** All in favor
- **MOTION:** Approve expenditure of up to \$500 for dumpster fee and \$58.29 for grass seed.
MOTION BY: Doug Reinert **SECOND:** Alan Ross **VOTE:** All in favor
- **MOTION:** Approve Missions Committee payment requests as follows:
 - \$50.00 – Sarah Racine monthly support
 - \$267.58 – Reimbursement for clean-up buckets (D. Pennypacker),
 - Up to \$50.00 – Reimbursement for clean-up buckets (M. Ross),
 - \$500.00 – Hamburg Salvation Army for flood victims,
 - \$500.00 – St. Peter's UCC in Tremont for flood damage.**MOTION BY:** Donna Pennypacker **SECOND:** Marianne Reinert **VOTE:** All in favor
- **MOTION:** Approve expenditure of up to \$1,800 for 3 chrome boxes for the Splash program.
MOTION BY: Anne McLain **SECOND:** Judy Leister **VOTE:** All in favor
- **MOTION:** Approve expenditure of up to \$2,500 for Splash/youth center furnishings.
MOTION BY: Marianne Reinert **SECOND:** Judy Reitz **VOTE:** All in favor
- **MOTION:** Approve Christian Education and Office payment requests as follows:
 - Up to \$200.00 – Splash supplies,
 - \$35.00 – background check for Splash teen helper,
 - \$59.98 – copy paper,
 - Up to \$100.00 –office supplies.**MOTION BY:** Judy Reitz **SECOND:** Alan Ross **VOTE:** All in favor

- **MOTION:** Approve expenditure of up to \$200 for custodial supplies.
MOTION BY: Marianne Reinert **SECOND:** Chad Gaiser **VOTE:** All in favor
- **MOTION:** Approve expenditure of \$39.98 for wireless microphone batteries.
MOTION BY: Joe Ceklosky **SECOND:** Brian Riker **VOTE:** All in favor
- **MOTION:** Approve expenditure of up to \$500 for Sight and Sound transportation.
MOTION BY: Alan Ross **SECOND:** Judy Reitz **VOTE:** All in favor
- **MOTION:** Approve expenditure of \$413.92 for picnic food.
MOTION BY: Melissa Millard **SECOND:** Brian Riker **VOTE:** All in favor

Adjournment:

- The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.
- The next meeting of the Consistory of St. Paul's UCC, Amityville, will be held on Wednesday, October 3, 2018, at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly J. Yanos
Recording Secretary