

St. Paul's United Church of Christ, Amityville
Consistory Meeting Minutes
April 4, 2018

Present: Ken Biles, Harriet Boyer, Joe Ceklosky, Marlene and Peter Dadey, Naomi Dublanica, Heidi Fisher, Chad Gaiser, Bruce Galambos, Priscilla Knerr, Diane and Paul Kopec, Judy Leister, Katie Loomis, Anne McLain, Ed Merkel, Melissa Millard, Linda Okuniewski, Donna Pennypacker, Doug & Marianne Reinert, Judy Reitz, Brian and Connie Riker, Alan Ross, Pastor Steven Simpson, Kelly Yanos, Anita Zuber

President Diane Kopec called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The members recited the mission statement, and Chad Gaiser led a brief period of devotions.

Security Committee - Ken Biles

- Twenty-five veterans have submitted service dossiers for the recognition program.
- The American Heart Association has been contacted to provide CPR and first-aid training.
- **MOTION:** Post "No Parking/Fire Lane" signs along both sides of the cemetery areas, entrances and egresses, and any other paved areas other than the parking lot.

MOTION BY: Doug Reinert **SECOND:** Alan Ross **VOTE:** All in favor

Pastor's Report: No report

President's Report:

- **MOTION:** Reappoint Peter Dadey and Kelly Yanos as Treasurer and Secretary, respectively.
MOTION BY: Marianne Reinert **SECOND:** Alan Ross **VOTE:** All in favor
- Paul and Diane Kopec will serve as delegates to the April 29 Covenant Association meeting, and volunteers are needed to serve as delegates to the Pennsylvania Southeast Conference on June 2.

Approval of Minutes:

- **MOTION:** Approve the March 8, 2018, meeting minutes as presented.
MOTION BY: Paul Kopec **SECOND:** Judy Leister **VOTE:** All in favor
- **MOTION:** Ratify approval of the February 8, 2018, meeting minutes as corrected.
MOTION BY: Judy Reitz **SECOND:** Donna Pennypacker **VOTE:** All in favor
- **MOTION:** Ratify approval of the January 3, 2018, meeting minutes as presented.
MOTION BY: Alan Ross **SECOND:** Brian Riker **VOTE:** All in favor

Secretary's Note: Approval/ratification of prior months' minutes include ratification of expenditures therein.

Treasurer's Report – Peter Dadey

	<u>March 2018</u>	<u>2018 YTD</u>
Income	\$37,254	\$ 93,881
Expenses	\$40,678	\$122,820
Surplus / (Deficit)	(\$ 3,424)	(\$ 28,939)

Budget & Finance: – No report

Christian Education ("CE") – Priscilla Knerr

Due to low attendance, the Committee will reconsider having a joint Sunday School service on Easter Sunday.

Church and Ministry – *Marianne Reinert*

- Katie and Pete Kunsch resigned from their position as Sextons.
- **MOTION:** Increase the Sexton's hourly wage to \$10.50, retroactive to January 1, 2018.
MOTION BY: Marianne Reinert **SECOND:** Anne McLain **VOTE:** All in favor

Evangelism – *No report*

Facilities - *Doug Reinert*

- Church Mutual and Hartford Steamboiler have completed their reviews of the Chapel clean-up claim and will notify the Committee of the amount and date of the payment.
- Quotes received for the Peach Festival/Multi-use Building:
 - Horning Remodeling - \$32,811
 - Isabella Springs Construction - \$39,918
- The Sanctuary center ceiling fans need repair.
- The Committee is seeking quotes to repaint the FLMC entrance, library, stage, and social room.
- A plan is being developed to strip and repaint the sanctuary heaters over the summer months.

Fellowship – *No report*

Missions – *Donna Pennypacker*

- The Committee is reviewing the results of the outreach suggestions survey.
- The 2018 Mission Trip Birdsboro orientation luncheon is scheduled for July 5. Application forms are available for individuals/families seeking assistance.
- The Committee will visit the new Veterans Making a Difference facility at the Hope Rescue Mission on April 15.
- Pastor Steven will be holding a training session for individuals interested in serving as visitation ministers on May 14 at 7:00 PM in Room 8.

Stewardship – *No report*

Technology Committee – *Joe Ceklosky*

- The Committee wholeheartedly welcomed back Bruce Galambos to the group following his recovery.
- The Tascam device was tested and proved to work well to record the Sunday worship service.
- APC 700VA and APC 1500 VA have been selected to back-up the phone system and network switches.
- UPS for the phone system and network equipment APC has been selected.
- The Committee seeks someone to coordinate scheduling of the sound system operation and recordings.

Worship and Music – *No report*

Youth Ministry – *Heidi Fisher*

- Rob Turchi will speak to youth on April 11.
- The Grade 6-12 Youth Group will serve dinner at the Hope Rescue Mission on April 18.

Deacons - *No report*

Elders:

Spiritual Council will meet on April 18.

Old Business:

- **MOTION:** Add refurbishment of Pastor's office and workroom to memorial fund list.
MOTION BY: Naomi DuBlanca **SECOND:** Linda Okuniewski **VOTE:** All in favor
- The bathrooms in the old section of the building need rehabilitation.
- Help is needed for the April Turkey Supper.
- Bruce Galambos will lead the May 2 devotions.

New Business:

- The May meeting of Consistory will be held on Wednesday, May 2. As the Financial Secretary will be on vacation from April 26 through May 6, month-end closing of the books will be April 25.
- **MOTION:** Establish Splash as a standing committee at the 2018 annual meeting effective in 2019.
MOTION BY: Alan Ross **SECOND:** Chad Gaiser **VOTE:** Majority in favor; Paul Kopec abstained.
- Marlene Dadey reported that Paper Retriever has not responded to multiple attempts to contact them regarding removal of the collection receptacle. Mahlon Boyer will be contacted to write a letter on behalf of the church.

Expenditure Approvals:

- **MOTION:** Approve Worship and Music Committee payment requests as follows:
 - \$229.50 for piano tuning (3)
 - \$22.50 for palm fronds**MOTION BY:** Judy Reitz **SECOND:** Marianne Reinert **VOTE:** All in favor
- **MOTION:** Approve Missions Committee payment requests as follows:
 - \$50.00 monthly missionary support for Sarah Racine
 - \$100.00 Giant gift card for The Harbor
 - \$93.78 to reimburse Kathy Samsel for personal support of Church friend
 - \$250.00 annual support for Mercy Crisis Pregnancy Center**MOTION BY:** Donna Pennypacker **SECOND:** Paul Kopec **VOTE:** All in favor
- **MOTION:** Approve expenditure of \$250.00 for custodial supplies.
MOTION BY: Marianne Reinert **SECOND:** Alan Ross **VOTE:** All in favor
- **MOTION:** Approve expenditure of \$268.00 for UPS units.
MOTION BY: Paul Kopec **SECOND:** Chad Gaiser **VOTE:** All in favor

Adjournment:

- The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 PM.
- The next meeting of the Consistory of St. Paul's UCC, Amityville, will be held on Wednesday, May 2, 2018, at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly J. Yanos
Recording Secretary