

St. Paul's United Church of Christ, Amityville
Consistory Meeting Minutes
August 1, 2018

Present: Harriet Boyer, Joe Ceklosky, Marlene and Peter Dadey, Naomi Dublanica, Chad Gaiser, Autumn Herbst, Diane and Paul Kopec, Judy Leister, Anne McLain, Ed Merkel, Linda Okuniewski, Donna Pennypacker, Mitch Racine, Judy Reitz, Brian and Connie Riker, Alan Ross, Pastor Steven Simpson, Kathy Weller, Kelly Yanos, Anita Zuber

Guest: Sandra Marchiano

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

MOTION: Accept Autumn Herbst to fill the unexpired term of Bruce Galambos as Deacon through 2019.

MOTION BY: Connie Riker

SECOND: Judy Reitz

VOTE: All in favor

Security Committee – *No report*

Pastor's Report:

- Communion will be celebrated during the August 12 worship service, which will be followed by a mortgage-burning celebration.
- The Peach Festival will be held on August 18.

President's Report:

- Heidi Fisher submitted a letter of resignation as Youth Ministry Chairperson effective 9/1/18.
- **MOTION:** Allocate the \$2,000 bequest from the Alyse Charlesworth estate to the graveyard fund.
MOTION BY: Paul Kopec **SECOND:** Chad Gaiser **VOTE:** All in favor
- The property insurance company advised that premium rates will increase in 2019.

Approval of Minutes:

MOTION: Approve the July 11, 2018, meeting minutes as presented.

MOTION BY: Brian Riker

SECOND: Naomi DuBlanca

VOTE: All in favor

Treasurer's Report – *Peter Dadey*

	<u>July 2018</u>	<u>2018 YTD</u>
Income	\$37,399	\$273,828
Expenses	\$36,463	\$276,850
Surplus / (Deficit)	\$ 936	\$ (3,022)

The August 2017 deficit was \$17,000.

Budget & Finance: – *No report*

Christian Education ("CE") – *Marlene Dadey*

- Rally Day is scheduled for August 26. The service will be led by Re-Creation, a group of young people who perform for various veterans' hospitals.
- The annual picnic is scheduled for August 26, following the worship service, and will be held at the peach festival pavilion.

Church and Ministry – *Harriet Boyer*

- Marlene Dadey will assume the day-to-day duties of booking facility rentals and managing the keypad system until a decision has been reached with regard to filling the Facility Coordinator position.
- Interim assistants will serve in the nursery while the current assistant is on extended leave.
- The nursery staff has asked the Committee to consider offering nursery care during Sunday worship for children up to 2nd grade.

Evangelism – *No report*

Facilities - *Ed Merkel*

- Work on the Peach Festival Shed should be completed by mid-August.
- Work on the Chapel floor is finished, and treatment has been applied to floor of the boiler room.
- Insurance will cover the cost to replace the fire alarm system, if necessary, that was struck by lightning.

Fellowship – *No report*

Missions –*Donna Pennypacker*

- A total of 80 volunteers, 18 from this church, worked on over 3 dozen projects for Mission Trip Birdsboro.
- The annual underwear collection for the local schools is in progress.
- The Committee is currently organizing:
 - ongoing Coffee & Conversation gatherings,
 - care packages for college students,
 - Journey Through Grief sessions,
 - Longwood Gardens trip.

Stewardship – *No report*

Technology Committee –*Joe Ceklosky*

- The new phone system should be installed the second week in August.
- The Committee's next meeting will address technology needs for facility rentals.

Worship and Music – *No report*

Youth Ministry – *Mitch Racine*

- Youth Group 7-12, Youth Group 3-6, and Worshiphouse Kids have been meeting throughout the summer.
- The Committee is planning youth-led games and a rootbeer float stand for the Peach Festival.
- Tickets for the Sight and Sound trip are still available.
- The Committee regretfully accepted Heidi Fisher's resignation, and expressed appreciation for her efforts in her capacity as chair.

Deacons - *No report*

Elders – *No report*

Nominating Committee

The Committee continues to compile a slate of 2019 nominees.

Old Business:

- **MOTION:** Move forward with the recommendation of the Youth Relocation Committee to reconstruct Rooms 14 and 15 into one room to be designated for a youth area at an estimated cost of \$1,500.
MOTION BY: Anne McLain **SECOND:** Judy Leister **VOTE:** All in favor
- Naomi DuBlanca will lead the September devotions.

New Business:

- The August 12 worship service will be followed by a mortgage-burning ceremony.
- Rally Day is scheduled for August 26.

Expenditure Approvals:

- **MOTION:** Approve expenditure of up to \$200 for carpet cleaner rental.
MOTION BY: Alan Ross **SECOND:** Anita Zuber **VOTE:** All in favor
- **MOTION:** Approve Missions Committee payment requests as follows:
 - \$250.00 – Ned Farnsworth balance of annual support,
 - \$50.00 – Sarah Racine monthly support
 - \$250.00 – Southern Berks Emergency Medical Service annual support,
 - \$250.00 – Amity Fire Company annual support,
 - \$250.00 – Monarch Fire Company annual support,
 - \$250.00 – Amity Township Police Department annual support.**MOTION BY:** Donna Pennypacker **SECOND:** Alan Ross **VOTE:** All in favor
- **MOTION:** Approve Christian Education and Office payment requests as follows:
 - Up to \$300.00 – Rally Day,
 - Up to \$400.00 – Christmas Pageant,
 - Up to \$100.00 – Christian Education supplies,
 - Up to \$200 – postage for September newsletter mailing.**MOTION BY:** Judy Reitz **SECOND:** Naomi DuBlanca **VOTE:** All in favor
- **MOTION:** Approve expenditure of up to \$200 for custodial supplies.
- **MOTION BY:** Judy Reitz **SECOND:** Naomi DuBlanca **VOTE:** All in favor

Adjournment:

- The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 PM.
- The next meeting of the Consistory of St. Paul’s UCC, Amityville, will be held on Wednesday, September 5, 2018, at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly J. Yanos
Recording Secretary