

**St. Paul's United Church of Christ, Amityville**  
**Consistory Meeting Minutes**  
**June 6, 2018**

**Present:** Harriet Boyer, Joe Ceklosky, Marlene and Peter Dadey, Heidi Fisher, Chad Gaiser, Diane and Paul Kopec, Judy Leister, Katie Loomis, Ed Merkel, Donna Pennypacker, Brian and Connie Riker, Alan Ross, Kelly Yanos, Anita Zuber

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

**Security Committee** – *No report*

**Pastor's Report:** *No report*

**President's Report:**

- The Consistory picnic will be held August 1 at the Parsonage.
- Carol Sterner was St. Paul's representative at the Pennsylvania Southeast Conference. Diane will contact her for a report.
- The Alyse Charlesworth estate included a \$2,000 bequest to the church that is to be earmarked for summer cemetery maintenance

**Approval of Minutes:**

**MOTION:** Approve the May 2, 2018, meeting minutes as corrected.

**MOTION BY:** Judy Leister

**SECOND:** Paul Kopec

**VOTE:** All in favor

**Treasurer's Report** – *Peter Dadey*

|                     | <u>May 2018</u> | <u>2018 YTD</u> |
|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Income              | \$53,906        | \$202,499       |
| Expenses            | \$32,998        | \$187,232       |
| Surplus / (Deficit) | \$22,492        | \$ 15,267       |

**Budget & Finance:** – *Alan Ross*

- The Committee reviewed financial activity through April 2018
- **MOTION:** Apply \$10,000 from the Florence McLean estate to the endowment fund loan.  
**MOTION BY:** Alan Ross     **SECOND:** Harriet Boyer     **VOTE:** All in favor
- **MOTION:** Pay the \$30,000 balance of the Endowment Fund loan from the General Fund checking account.  
**MOTION BY:** Alan Ross     **SECOND:** Paul Kopec     **VOTE:** All in favor
- Brian Riker suggested holding a mortgage-burning celebration. Diane Kopec will set up a date with Pastor Steven.

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

- Summer Sunday School will begin on June 10.
- The Summer Splash program will begin June 11.
- Vacation Bible School will start June 18.

**Church and Ministry** – *Harriet Boyer*

- The Sexton position was offered to Jordan Elser. He will be trained by Katie Kunsch.
- Johnny and Laura Berry have been securing the facility in the evenings.
- The Committee continues to consider options for the evening custodian position and to determine whether a 2<sup>nd</sup> sexton will be needed in the fall.
- The Committee has granted increased hours for the daytime custodians to thirty-two (32) hours per week at Debbie Millard's hourly rate.
- Darrien Ritter has resigned as Facility Coordinator.

**Evangelism** – *No report*

**Facilities** - *Ed Merkel*

- The Committee anticipates the Chapel clean-up to start in the near future.
- The building permit for the Peach Festival/Multi-Use building has been approved. The estimated cost for this project is \$32,000. To date, \$25,000 has been committed by the Home Association and \$7,500 has been committed by members of the congregation.
- The Committee is researching financial records from prior years to determine if they spent their Endowment Fund allocations in their entirety. Any unused monies will be used toward painting the FLMC.
- The Committee is considering recommending that new tables for the Peach Festival/Multi-use building be added to the Memorial Fund list.

**Fellowship** – *No report*

**Missions** –*Donna Pennypacker*

- The first Coffee and Conversation event will be held June 10, following the worship service.
- One June 30 the Committee will visit the Hope Rescue Mission Veterans' Center to provide lunch and to donate items collected from the congregation.
- The Mission Trip Birdsboro kickoff luncheon will be held on July 15 at St. Paul's UCC-Amityville.

**Stewardship** – *No report*

**Technology Committee** –*Joe Ceklosky*

Priority items discussed at the May 21, 2018 Technology Committee included:

- Continued work on the soundboard schedule
- Transitioning of the Youth website to the main website
- Continued review of quotes for a new phone system
- Transporting the sound system from the Sanctuary to the FLMC for summer services
- Addressing issues with the FLMC keypad controller
- Investigation of the sign controller outage

**Worship and Music** – *No report*

**Youth Ministry** – *Heidi Fisher*

- Youth Group members and their families will be surveyed to determine the best meeting days, the activities/missions in which the youth are interested in participating, and topics of faith to discuss.
- Upcoming events:
  - July 18 – Hope Rescue Mission trip

- July 27, 28 – Overnight retreat – grades 3 to 6
- September 28 – Sight and Sound Trip
- The Committee will consider advertising youth group meetings on the church digital sign.

**Deacons** - *No report*

**Elders** – *No report*

**Nominating Committee**

Connie Riker will call a meeting of the Nominating Committee to develop a list of 2019 nominees.

**Old Business:**

- Brian Riker will lead the July 11 devotions.
- The July meeting of Consistory will be held on Wednesday, **July 11**.

**New Business:**

- Bruce Galambos is stepping down from his position of Deacon due to health issues. His resignation was accepted with regret.
- The 2018 September newsletter will be mailed to the membership.
- Youth relocation will be discussed on July 11.
- Three (3) 17-year-old men approached the church in search of community service projects.

**Expenditure Approvals:**

- **MOTION:** Approve Christian Education payment requests as follows:
  - \$150.00 for Splash year-end bowling event
  - \$160.00 for transportation for Splash year-end bowling event
  - Up to \$150.00 for Splash staff luncheon at Vincenzo’s
  - Up to \$250.00 for Splash supplies
  - Up to \$100.00 for Christian Education supplies
  - Up to \$50.00 for Vacation Bible School (VBS) postage
  - Up to \$100.00 for VBS Splash snack supplies
  - Up to \$200.00 for VBS curriculum

**MOTION BY:** Alan Ross      **SECOND:** Donna Pennypacker      **VOTE:** All in favor

- **MOTION:** Approve expenditure of \$155.29 for reimbursement of annual fax fee.

**MOTION BY:** Alan Ross      **SECOND:** Donna Pennypacker      **VOTE:** All in favor

- **MOTION:** Approve expenditure of \$60.00 from Fellowship budget for Sexton recognition cake.

**MOTION BY:** Alan Ross      **SECOND:** Donna Pennypacker      **VOTE:** All in favor

- **MOTION:** Approve Worship and Music expenditure of \$167.96 for candles.

**MOTION BY:** Katie Loomis      **SECOND:** Anita Zuber      **VOTE:** All in favor

- **MOTION:** Approve expenditure of \$400.00 for custodial supplies.

**MOTION BY:** Paul Kopec      **SECOND:** Chad Gaiser      **VOTE:** All in favor

- **MOTION:** Approve Technology Committee payment requests as follows:
  - \$24.95 for anti-malware
  - 59.02 for Pastor’s office web cam**MOTION BY:** Joe Ceklosky **SECOND:** Brian Riker **VOTE:** All in favor
- **MOTION:** Approve Missions Committee payment requests as follows:
  - \$50.00 monthly missionary support for Sarah Racine
  - \$350.00 annual support for Diakon/Volunteer Home Care
  - Up to \$100.00 for Coffee and Conversation supplies**MOTION BY:** Donna Pennypacker **SECOND:** Alan Ross **VOTE:** All in favor

**Adjournment:**

- The regular meeting was adjourned at 8:32 followed by an executive session, during which no actions were taken.
- The next meeting of the Consistory of St. Paul’s UCC, Amityville, will be held on Wednesday, July 11, 2018, at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly J. Yanos  
Recording Secretary