

## UCB MEETING 1.9.23

### In Attendance:

Peggy Spraggins, Jill Marlow, Brett Neff, Paul Pendleton, Al Fellner, Julie Bahr, Rosanne Smith, Pastor Lorrin Radzik, Carolyn Murrock, Susan Hohns, Jane Levy, Linda Blankenship, Cathy Miller, Desiree Perry

\*Motion made for Cathy Miller to fill in as Recording Secretary for Denise (absence due to illness).

Motion: Rosanne Smith; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Linda Blankenship. Unanimously Approved

\*Motion made to have Denise be Recording Secretary.

Motion: Peggy Spraggins; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Linda Blankenship. Approved

\*Motion made for to approve November 2022 minutes that was sent with December 2022 email.

Motion: Julie Bahr; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Linda Blankenship Unanimously Approved

\*New Board Chair Election: Peggy stated that she would be willing to remain as Chair

Motion: Al Fellner; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Linda Blankenship.

Carolyn was nominated for Board Chair by Jane Levy; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Susan Hohns

Peggy and Carolyn both have spoken with their plans for 2023

A secret ballot vote was taken. Counted by Susan and Linda

Results: Carolyn Murrock was voted in by a majority vote. (It was noted that you must be present to vote. Job of Board Chair includes determining the agenda, running the meeting, and conflict resolution.)

Peggy will still be on the board

Open position for the board

Steve Huml - declined

Linda Bloom – declined

Confusion about whether or not Doug Wyer still on UCB. His term was over, and he was not reappointed nor did he fill out paperwork. However, conversations from Doug about discussing the Beard scholarship at February UCB meeting indicated that he assumed he was still on board. Paul brought up concerns about how the CDL handled the re-appointment of Doug and asked Pastor Lorrin to revisit the issue since there is still an open slot on the board.

Only 9 voting members, however Peggy thought between 11-15). We used the MISSION POSSIBLE book, not the Book of Discipline (2016) which is the bylaws that ALL the churches use. Usually updated every 4 years through General Conference but the General Conference was postponed due to COVID and is rescheduled for 2024.

Reverend Ortiz offers training if we are interested.

Linda resigned from both UCB and as Lay Member to Annual conference which meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend in June.

The previous Finance Committee was:

Patty Ebner

Lisa Bradley

Jill Marlow

Doug Wyer

Chuck Daub

Carolyn made a motion with the NEW Ad Hoc Finance Team:

Carolyn Murrock,

Pastor Lorrin Radzik

Chuck Daub

Patty Ebner

Jill wasn't in on the meeting in January

Who is on Nomination committee?

Pastor Lorrin

Terry Toaz

Eric Hughes

Greg Svoboda

Gail Green

UCB Manual was updated in the summer. Set policy; staff parish; to do what God would have us do. Not to hear reports. Goal is more efficient meetings. Send out info and READ BEFORE the meeting and be able to vote on a motion. Then move through new business. What does it look like to serve the church?

WHAT WERE THE CHANGES? Peggy requested that it be resent with the changes in RED or bold to help the members understand what has changed.

We have 13 members (it only shows 12)

Motion made to purchase a new computer for Pastor Lorrin for estimated \$1600 plus a fee from NEO think to add to our network.

Al asked what NEO Think does and Jill explained. There is a monthly bill for the server database with all our information and they back it up every 2 hours (\$30/month). Addition fees charged as needed which can be computed to 1/10 of an hour.

Susan made a motion to purchase. Pastor never had a desktop. New computer will have a docking station. Julie 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in FAVOR

### Pastor's Report

Motion to have 2 signatures on all checks.

Motion made by Julie. Jane 2<sup>nd</sup> -Unanimously APPROVED

Susan made a motion to have the following as the three legal signers on checks:

Carolyn Murrock

Lorin Radzik

Jill Marlow

Linda B. 2<sup>nd</sup>, BUT A MOTION TO TABLE TAKES PRECEDENCE

Peggy made a motion to table the decision of the three names.

Peggy made motion. Paul 2<sup>nd</sup>. Desiree abstained from vote so it was a tie, so motion failed.

Julie made a new motion. List the three signers with the motion that the names could potentially change after speaking with Doug.

Julie made motion. Susan 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7/3 MOTION CARRIED.

PAYROLL is processed through the district office by Paychex so the above changes don't apply to Payroll.

### TRUSTEES REPORTS

Al: Barn was damage during the last snowstorm

Al will take care of the sidewalks and asked if those on Sunday morning can help with that. Still no applicants from the ad.

Boy Scouts have left area by the dumpster. Al suggested we can roof that area and keep the snowplow there. If not, where can we keep it where it will be safe, but convenient? Linda suggested we ask our neighbor church to see who they use.

### FINANCIAL REPORT

We CAN make an extra mortgage payment once a year. Brett and Carolyn question why is it only once a year? Jill will check that out. There may be a covenant. Banks CAN limit amount we pay extra.

Cathy approved reallocating a total of \$2000 to extra mortgage payment. (\$500 KF; \$1,000 LIMITLESS; \$500 Congregational Care). No approval was needed as these amounts were less than what Cathy personally donated to these funds.

Pastor made the announcement that we are collecting additional donations to pre-pay mortgage until 1/22/23.

Where should \$500 donation in memory of Goldie Fartelly go? We would like to use that for the coffee area to fix the bifold doors. THIS STILL NEEDS TO BE VOTED ON. .

MOTION to pay extra mortgage payment (less \$500 donation in memory of Goldie Fartelly) with whatever is in the fund on 1/23.

Carolyn made motion. Jane 2<sup>nd</sup>. The motion was Unanimously APPROVED

Desiree asked for a list for ad hoc committees that are used in an advisory position.

PEGGY: Before COVID, we got a \$125k donation that the Finance team has been meeting about for over three years. Where are we on that with the new ad hoc committee?

Pastor got our apportionment are \$60k (reduced by \$13k from 2022) )

Motion to NOT pay apportionments.

Susan motion made to NOT pay for January. Al 2<sup>nd</sup>. The motion was Unanimously APPROVED.

Every month we will have a recommendation to pay or not to pay the apportionments based on what our financial situation is.

Al brought up what would district say if we pay additional \$ to mortgage but NOT pay apportionments, is that going to be an issue? Pastor doesn't think that will be an issue.

Motion made to move handbell money to music fund. Brett asked if that someone is still alive, should we ask them? They think it is the Feightner's so no one else to ask.

Jane made motion. Susan 2<sup>nd</sup>. The motion was Unanimously APPROVED.

We DO still have the actual handbells for whenever we opt to restart that group.

Someone made a direct payment to do the organ repair. We were given a \$100 discount on the bill, but donor didn't want the extra money back.

Motion was made that TAP GRANT AND BEARD SCHOLARSHIP (Vanguard indexed) will be removed from the balance sheet "Because we can't spend those monies"

Jill disagreed because there are so many accounts that we can't use the money from.

TAP grant must be spent by April and has \$300 in the fund.

Carolyn suggested we create a line for Grants. Jill and Brett disagreed.

After some discussion, the Motion to move the accounts was removed.

Treasury Report-Jill

Pre-paid pledges...\$19k from parishioners. Jill put in one fund and will transfer 1/12 of the balance each month so ideally it will end up being a \$0 balance although folks are still contributing to the prepaid pledges.

#### SMART GOALS - Pastor Lorrin

The Power Point from last meeting was included in the notes.

\*Increase attendance by 10%

Will try to track the Synchronous number which is 30+ and the Asynchronous number is in the 300's. Only counts devices.

\*Obtain financial stability and to communicate it accurately

How are reaching out?

ASK for folks to track attendance. Both members and non-members.

Star word was a HIT! Internet watchers are ASKING for a word!

Rosanne agreed to her new committee.

Phone on Rosanne's desk will be disconnected.

Cathy agreed to her new committee and will bring something back in February.

We need to work on website. We need better web presence. Desiree learning WordPress.

Head of Parish Nurses is now Linda Blankenship

New United Women of Faith leaders: Susan Hohs, President; Linday Blankenship, Vice President.

Susan Hohs suggested a "Trunk Garage Sale" on the same day as Rec Center. Just parishioners who have stuff. For \$5. Time to discuss. Craft Sales as well. \$5/table to set up in Fellowship Hall. Tax rules are different for actual vendors.

PEGGY: East Ohio Conference no longer has a Media Center. Made motion for church to pay for AMPLIFY (there is also an App for your phone and TV) for \$29.99/month

Peggy made the motion. Julie 2<sup>nd</sup>. Unanimously APPROVED.

Jill is sending out an updated budget.