

Newcomer's Chapel Council of Administration
November 18, 2021

Present: Pastor Kim, Bob Horner, Rick Lutz, Dave Bateman, Larry and Bonnie Knerr, Julie Lutt, Ed and Nancy Carter, Shirley Kurzen.

Minutes were passed to all for reading. Julie made a motion to adopt the minutes and Bonnie seconded it. All in favor and minutes will be filed.

Pastor: Kim gave each her report (attached) and summarized that the wedding for Michele and Nate was very special; Charge conference went well with all completed reports in; All Saints service went well and thanked all involved; the Dogwood in memory of all who have passed has been planted on West side of church; Jessie Tree project was over whelming and with so many stepping forward to help it will be complete by Advent; Christmas Eve Service and Advent services will have us in "awe of our Savior".

Treasurer: Bobbi was unable to be present but sent word that Conference has changed the Pastor's salary schedule and pay would go out the 15th and 30th of each month beginning January 1, 2022. She also reported that \$550 was sent to the Fairless Toy Cupboard.

Worship: Julie reported on the past two team meetings. Full choir will not form at this time but we will have individuals sharing musical talents etc. Worship will continue in the Fellowship Hall. Hanging of the Greens will be this Sunday after church. An outdoor Nativity Scene will be put in place using memorial funds honoring Dick Richards. During Advent families will be sharing testimonies. Christmas Eve Service will be at 7 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Julie asked that all fire extinguishers be checked since live candles will be used. We were given two octaves of bells so we can have a bell choir for the Christmas Services. A motion was made by Julie that we accept the gift of Bells from Bolton UMC, now The Vine UMC. Shirley seconded the motion and all were in favor. Chris Glasgo needs to buy tables, pads, music stands and music for the bells. Bonnie made a motion that Chris be able to spend up to \$750 to get what is needed. Nancy seconded the motion and all were in favor. Chris will be notified. Discussion was held on how we can thank Bolton/The Vine UMC. We will dedicate a service of bells to the memory of those who the bells were originally purchased for and notify The Vine when it will be held and invite them to service and also how their members can watch the service live. This will happen after the first of the year. There was a question about the amount of insurance we have on equipment and if it would cover the bells (\$7,500 value). Julie also reported there will be some changes to the order of worship. Presently the announcements will not be read but shown on screens before and after the service, printed on handouts at the door and sent via email as soon after worship as possible. It was also suggested that they be printed on light yellow paper and prayers on white for easier reading. For future consideration we should be aware that a lot of our sound equipment is on loan from Camp Wanake and we may have to purchase equipment in the future. Next Worship meeting via Zoom will be December 14 at 6:30 p.m.

Missions: Sandy reported that after a visit with the Veteran's home (four men) on Erie Ave it was decided to fix a meal for them on Thanksgiving. They have the meat and Nancy Carter, Eileen Boughman and Sandy are going to add the sides to their meal. She read a request from Canton Calvary for donations to help with renovations that are needed for their building. On a motion by Julie that we dedicate our Christmas donations to help Canton Calvary. Larry Seconded the motion and all were in favor. Bobbi was contacted and stated that those funds usually total \$1,000-\$1200. It was also mentioned that the Navarre Salvation Army will only ring bell at Belloni's in Brewster as TSC cancelled. Those who signed up will be notified of the change.

Tuslaw Fairless School: Shirley asked if we could put out a sheet for cookie donations for Tuslaw to give to families when they pick up Christmas gifts. All agreed we should help out with cookies. Fairless needs help with purchasing Christmas gifts for children in families that need help at Christmas. All present agreed we should offer this opportunity to members to help. We will ask for five families and Shirley will put out tags with info.

SPPR: Rick said he is in contact with Malone College and they may have a possible Youth Leader for us. He will keep us up to date on that process. He needs salary, job description and mileage clarification so he can send that to Malone. Shirley will get that for him.

Youth: Pastor Kim said they continue to meet on Sunday nights with 4-8 youth and four adults. The youth will be taking Eileen Richards' leaves, having a Christmas party, and doing a Bible challenge. Hopefully more youth can be added as we continue to get the word out and with the possibility of hiring a Youth Leader.

Education: Rick reported for Rayne. There will be seven stations during the VBS "Come to Bethlehem and See" December 4 with the Youth being Shepherds and leading the children to their stations. Volunteers are needed to dress in Bethlehem period costumes (we furnish). VBS will have a meeting after worship this Sunday.

Trustees: Ed said they are waiting for glass company before work can begin on enclosure for Fellowship Hall entrance. Bobbi asked if there were any concerns about her and Mark purchasing BooBoo Hydrangea in memory of their parents and planting them around church. Plants are miniatures and require little care. Discussion was held with no objection to these plants...thought it was a good idea.

Communications: Dave is working on December newsletter and asked all to get info to him asap. VBS registration is on website and copies will be on "the table" at Fellowship door. He has sent VBS info to local churches and newspapers. Prayer requests can now be added using QR code and will be sent to church.

New Business: Bob read a letter from Massillon Fire Department asking for funds to help with student kits to help them understand how fire departments work etc. It was discussed and decided to keep our help with the departments who service our area (Brewster, North Lawrence and Erie Valley).

Larry reminded all that when projects are undertaken for the church, members should be notified so they can help wherever they can. We are a church that has many talents and always willing to share.

Nancy asked if we could give Joel a Christmas gift. Bobbi was contacted and said a gift up to \$400 could be given without causing him any tax issues. Nancy made a motion that we present Joel with a gift of \$400 check. Bonnie seconded the motion and all were in favor. Bobbi will be notified so check can be issued.

8:45 p.m. Julie made a motion we adjourn and Nancy seconded it. All in favor as they exited room ☺

Next meeting is December 9 at 7 p.m.

Respectfully written and submitted by Shirley Kurzen, recording secretary