CGSLC Council Agenda

Sunday, May 20, 2018 @ 11:45 a.m.

Attend: Jean, Theo, Rebecca, Kevin, Joe, Chuck, Susan, Bob, Pr. Manda

Excused: Laurie

**Agenda Topics**

1. Bible study
   1. Pr. Mana led a reflection on today’s scripture readings
2. Review behavioral covenant
   1. The council reviewed and signed the covenant
3. Approve April minutes and congregational update minutes
   1. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to approve the April minutes
   2. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to approve the congregational update minutes
4. Stewardship update
   1. Kevin presented a brief slideshow, showing that general giving is generally on track with recent years
5. Discussion topics
   1. Breeze database
      1. Michael Flanagin gave a presentation on the new Breeze church database
      2. Michael will continue to assist church staff and lay leaders as we transition to the new system
   2. Building Our Future
      1. Campaign updates
         1. Bob reported that he talked with Steve and Steve said that he will inquire soon about the survey. We should then get the blueprints and figure out where we are with the architect.
         2. Theo gave an update on the development campaign with Kairos. There will be a new consultant we’ll be working with, which Theo and Pr. Manda are checking into.
      2. Farming Hope
         1. Pr. Manda presented and explained that Farming Hope’s primary purpose is to train people in food service so people have jobs. Currently they’re at Immanuel Lutheran Church but that is not sustainable because of changes Immanuel is going through. Their goal is to have a permanent cafe where they can serve paying and non-paying customers every day.
         2. They love our space and they want to be here
         3. They checked with the Health Trust about funding and Health Trust was enthusiastic about being at CGS
         4. They would be in our kitchen and Great Hall all day on Thursdays
         5. They would like to expand, to train and serve more days per week
         6. We will need to check with Carden about this
         7. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to invite Farming Hope to move into our space, with the understanding that they can move in on June 16th; we will also talk with Carden regarding usage and rent
         8. Pr. Manda will bring contracts to look at for the Executive Council meeting in June
         9. This was also identified as a potential benevolence opportunity
      3. Diaconal role
         1. The council agreed to continue discerning the question of a deacon in the coming months, including during the August retreat
6. Pastor’s report
   1. Lots of good things are happening, including the database, the summer game nights, the rewriting of the constitution, and a new liturgy this summer
   2. With Christ Community Church, Pr. Manda paid for Jared and Nora to go to synod assembly; a motion was made, seconded, and approved for Pr. Manda to be reimbursed from the Pastor’s discretionary fund
   3. After doing some research, Pr. Manda recommends that we not become CCC’s fiscal agent; rather, it would be better that they become their own entity with the ELCA
   4. We’re going to become a polling place
7. Upcoming events
   1. Thursday night game nights over the summer
   2. Church cleaning on June 16th
8. Closing prayer
   1. Chuck led a closing prayer