Coordinating Team (CT) Minutes

March 29, 2017

Present: Rev. David Miller, Rev. Laura Horton-Ludwig, Pete Krone, Kathy Smerke Hochberg, Ministerial Intern McKinley Sims, Rich Sider

The minutes from the 3/15/17 and 3/22/17 meetings were approved.

Unfinished Tasks (New tasks highlighted below.)

* Kin and Mary Lareau to review the rapid response network proposal with the Social Justice Council.

Ministers’ Reports

* Rev. David Miller
  + Attended the Fairfax County panel discussion on hate speech at which he met a number of local officials. He will meet with Sandy Chisolm, county interfaith coordinator, next week to discuss how to coordinate faith community response to current events.
  + Rev. Rob Keithan will lead the Building Authentic Diversity workshop on Apr. 15.
  + Will be attending the Revolutionary Love conference in New York at the end of April.
* Rev. Laura Horton-Ludwig
  + Attended the Chris Crass racial justice workshop at All Souls in D.C, along with David and Kin.
  + The Covenant Group Leadership Team is recruiting facilitators to lead new groups next fall.
  + The pastoral care team is considering an offer from a congregant to provide respite care training.
  + Cheryl Sadowski is working on a spiritual grounding resource webpage.
  + She is working with Linnea Nelson to address an RE volunteer situation.
* McKinley Sims
  + The Social Justice Council will meet in two weeks to review their role in the rapid response network being set up. The SJC is also co-sponsoring the Sanctuaries DMV workshop next Wednesday.
  + Reported growing interest in the young adult group. The group will work on planning for next year at a brunch this Sunday.
  + Begins teaching round two of his Historical Jesus class this evening.

Old Business

Annual Giving Campaign – At this point, about 220 pledges out of close to 500 pledges have been received. Email reminders will go out today and next week. **David and Laura will try to identify someone to provide a testimonial at services this coming Sunday.**

* Program Evaluation Committee report – Laura reported on her conversation with Lay Minister for Membership and Outreach, Marlo Nash, about the report. Marlo is interested in helping to develop concrete actions to take to implement the recommendations. The CT will need to address implementation after next year’s budget is finalized in late April.
* Strategic goal roll-out - The CT reviewed a draft communication to the congregation about the goal document and suggested some changes. **Rich will make the changes to the cover memo and then will work with Mary Lareau to make the document available to congregants.**
* Amazon follow-up – As there appears to be some movement within the Amazon organization on their advertising and hate speech policies, the CT agreed to maintain the link on the UUCF website for the time being but will continue monitoring the issues raised.

New Business

* Public witness policy – The CT reviewed and approved draft revisions to the CT policy**. Rich will send to Board Chair Karen Wolf for distribution to the Board.**
* Congregant request – The CT considered a request to place a display on campus for a local advocacy organization. **Rich will follow-up with the congregant.**

Miscellaneous

The next meeting will be on April 5 at 1:30 pm. The meeting to finalize the 2017-2018 budget will be April 26 from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Prepared by Rich Sider