

October 7, 2019

Executive Committee Meeting

Members Present: MLK, BRH, Mark Willis

1. Commission on the Ordination and Standing
 - a. Commission working on becoming more diverse – discussing possible realignment/restructuring – will have a team meeting later this week. Question of whether commission would meet in small teams with every minister in region in a year?
2. South Summit Update
 - a. \$486,006.98 owed on mortgage – real estate agent suggested listing of \$600,000 to \$750,000. We are getting a second opinion.
 - b. Jill Sullins will need a Renter's Agreement for her stay in parsonage. It will need to be run through a lawyer.
3. Blue Ridge Blvd CC Update
 - a. BRBCC accepted offer for purchase of building from Love United Church. Blue Ridge will be able to use space there to continue meeting for worship. BRBCC is self-financing the loan through DCEF with Love United making payments. Additionally, BRBCC minister resigning, they are going to use pulpit supply for foreseeable future. BRH and MLK will plan visit to help/support as needed.
4. Veronica Fallah has resigned as Minister of DWM
5. Nominating Committee
 - a. Will be asking people to serve on Board starting term in 2020. We need to revisit by-laws and appoint a nominating committee.
6. Anti-Racism Training
 - a. We did have to cancel a recent training due to lack of attendees. Looking at options such as zoom meetings or putting videos of training on regional website to make access easier for ministers.
7. Future Executive Meetings
 - a. Looking at Zoom meetings for winter to make attendance easier
8. Old Business
 - a. Tall oaks property sale offer – no update – Gala is October 25th
9. New Business
 - a. Martha invited regional staff and executive committee to Tall oaks for a lunch
 - b. Alta Vista – FOSS has connected Alta Vista with a structural engineer who is member at Louisburg CC. FOSS applied for Alta

Vista to be listed on Endangered Structures list to make access to grants and funds easier. FOSS got pastor at Alta Vista interviewed on KSHB. Looking for options to fund repairs.

- c. Orientation for new Lay members of Board – will set up once we find last 2 lay representatives (Due by Oct 21)
- d. Regional Elders Idea – discussion with Katheryn Graham and George Flanagan about appointing Regional Elders, who would visit congregations as ambassadors of Region, offer prayer for congregations every day. It would be a way for us to recognize these spiritual leaders in our region and keep them involved on regional level.

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