Regional Board
Merriam Christian Church
Upstairs Classroom
June 24, 2019
7:00 pm – Meeting
6:15 – Light Supper Provided

Agenda

Opening Devotion Regional Minister and President.

Introductions

Suspend the Rules

Allow the Regional Board to elect the seven lay members to serve in the interim between now and the Regional Assembly in 2020.

Reference:

Bylaws of the CC(DOC) of Greater KC, Article VI Section 2. COMPOSITION

- The members of the Regional Board shall include:
  A. The Officers of the Region as elected by the voting Members of the Region at the Regional Assembly. The elected officers shall include the Moderator, Moderator-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, and include the Immediate Past-Moderator. The Officers shall have the responsibilities as set forth in the Region’s Rules of Procedure.
  B. The Regional Minister and Associate Regional Ministers are ex-officio members without vote.
  C. A representative of each standing committee of the Region. These representatives shall be selected by the Committee Members of the Committees they represent.
D. A member of the Tall Oaks Board of Directors.
E. Representatives of institutions and ministries that are Members of the Region and are invited by the Regional Board to serve as members of the Regional Board including, but not limited to, one each of the following constituency groups organized in the Region.
   1) Regional LBGTQ+ Alliance
   2) MOKAN Fellowship of the National Convocation
   3) Kansas City Convencion of the Obra Hispana Nacional
   4) National Association of Pacific Asian Disciples (NAPAD).
   5) Regional Youth Cabinet
   6) Disciples Woman’s Ministry

F. Members at-large as elected by the Members of the Region at the Regional Assembly.
These representatives shall be nominated as set forth in the Region’s Rules of Procedure.

Rules of Procedure Article 2. REGIONAL ASSEMBLY
C. The Regional Assembly shall:
   1. Elect the Officers of the Region, and seven lay members-at-large for the Regional Board.

Minutes: Please check the Regional Board page for Minutes and other Reports

Please read and prepare any questions or comments in advance. To reserve paper copies of any reports, or for special room setups please contact Jessica by the Friday before the meeting 913.432.1414

Budget and Finance Committee    James Vertreese
Regional Minister for New and Transforming Churches    Delesslyn Kennebrew
Regional Minister and President    William Rose-Heim
Camp and Conference Coordinator    Shandra Yost Soltani
New and Transforming Church Commission    Casey Sigmon
Community Engagement Commission    Matthew Silvers
Tall Oaks Board    Kristin Dow
Commission on the Order of the Ministry    Rob Carr
Action Items:

*These come as motions from our Regional Executive Committee and do not require a second.*

- The Board of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of Greater Kansas City welcomes the formation of an Anti-Racism Strategic Planning Team, co-chaired by Rev. Mindy Fugarino and Rev. Dr. Rodney Williams and expresses gratitude for the intentional diversity of its membership and their offer to help our Region’s Board, commissions, committees, and staff to reflect the rich variety of ethnicities, cultures and gifts among the Disciples of Christ in this Region.

- Resolution to affirm Merriam Christian Church
  - The Board of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of Greater Kansas City wishes to lift up the Merriam Christian Church for its generous use of their church campus by local nonprofit organizations, for the exemplary and supportive partnership with Merriam Park Elementary School, Merriam Parks and Recreation, Johnson County Christmas Bureau, the Dialogue Institute, Micah Ministry and Johnson County Food Ministry, Backpack feeding program and so much more. Merriam Christian Church hosts many Regional events and provides space for Regional and General unit staff as well as many of our Region’s commission, committee, and constituency group meetings. On behalf of the our Region we give thanks to God for the Merriam Christian Church and ask for continued blessings on your tireless work to serve the God, one another, and the wider community.

- Resolution to Begin a Fundraising Campaign
  - The Regional Board of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of Greater Kansas City authorizes commencement of a campaign to raise $300,000 in donor-directed funds over the next year for the purpose of assisting the Region in our work to plant new churches, help existing churches to make needed transformations and to equip Tall Oaks Camp and Conference Center.
for financial viability as it expands its market to serve new populations in a highly competitive hospitality trades industry.

- All members of the Regional Board and the Board of the Tall Oaks Camp and Conference Center commit to be among the first to contribute toward meeting the goal of this fundraising campaign

- Regional Assembly Planning Committee
  - Appoint a chair ____________________________ and call for members of a planning team for the 2020 Regional Assembly

- Removing non-reporting/no-participating Greater Kansas City Disciples of Christ congregations listed in the Disciples Yearbook
  - Motion: The Regional Board authorize our Regional Minister and President to complete procedures enumerated in the section “Recognized Congregations, 9.b.i-iv” in the Design of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) posted 3.9.2019 on the Regional Board page for removing congregations from the Disciples of Christ Yearbook for the following congregations who meet the criteria in that policy:
    - Non-Reporting
    - Action to Withdraw (in fact but without notification from the congregation)
      - Nueva Creacion (withdrawn with no further contact)
      - Light of Life Community Christian (last reported 2014/no participation)
      - International Believers in Jesus (last reported 2014/no participation/pastor is the only remaining "member")
      - Salem (Weston) (now listed on the Disciples Heritage website as a member congregation/no formal withdrawal)
      - El Rey de Gloria (non participating/effectively withdrawn)
      - Faithworks Community (Mission, KS) (Last reported 1997 - house church that meets monthly but does not participate in any way with the DOC)

Dates:

2019

- June 30, Belton Christian Church, Retirement Celebration for Jim and Ginny Bottrell
- June 30, Launch Party Broadway Christian Church
- July 1, Regional Executive Committee
- July 14, Citizen/Consumer/Christian – Tex Sample, Merriam Christian Church
  - [https://www.kcdisciples.org/workshops-and-retreats.html](https://www.kcdisciples.org/workshops-and-retreats.html)
• July 20-24, General Assembly, Des Moines, IA  
   https://ga.disciples.org/
• August 5, Regional Executive Committee
• August 11, Last Swim Celebration at Tall Oaks
• August 21, NBA Explorers Cohort will be in Kansas City!
• August 22-23, Bridging Trauma Awareness to Healing and Reconciliation
  o August 22-23 PRAYER VIGIL DURING THIS EVENT
• September 2, Labor Day
• September 5-7 CC(DOC) Governance Committee Retreat
• September 12 Disciples Ministers Association resumes 2nd Thursdays
• September 16-October 3 RM Vacation
• September 23 Regional Board - _____________ Church
• October 7-11 HOPE Partnership Leadership Academy
• October 11-12 Tall Oaks, Youth Mission Works
• October 21-24 College of Regional Ministers
• October 25, CC(DOC) Administrative Committee
• November 4, Regional Executive Committee
• November 17, (Tentative) Bonner Springs Christian Church – ordination
• November 27, MOKAN Thanksgiving Prayer Service
• November 28, Thanksgiving
• December 2 Regional Executive Committee
• December 16 Regional Board
• December 24, Christmas Eve
• December 25, Christmas Day (Wednesday)

Next Meeting:  ____________________________________________ Christian Church