Regional Board  
Merriam Christian Church  
Upstairs Classroom  
Monday, February 25, 2018  
9:30 am  

Agenda  

Opening Devotion  

Introductions  

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

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  

- Financial Report  
- 2019 Budget Proposal  
- Housing Allowance for Staff  
  - Housing allowance amounts do not affect compensation. Ministers determine the reasonable cost for paying for and maintaining their homes or apartments. The Internal Revenue Service requires that this amount be approved by the governing body each year.  

Bylaw Task Group  

- New Bylaws  
  - The new bylaws will call for us to identify 7 lay persons to serve on the new Board. We will also want to decide how often, when and where the Board will meet. (Consider live streaming the meetings on Facebook so that others can know more about the work going on.)  

Updated Report of the Nominating Committee
• Moderator: Rev. Mary Lou Kegler
• Moderator-Elect: John Steinmetz
• Secretary: Rev. Mark Willis
• Treasurer: Rev. James Vertreese

Stewardship and Development

• Needs a chairperson

New and Transforming Church Commission

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Community Engagement Commission

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Tall Oaks Commission

• First meeting of the Tall Oaks Camp and Conference Center, Inc. Board
• IRS 501, c, 3 status confirmed

Commission on the Order of the Ministry

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Personnel Committee

• Call extended to Rev. Shandra Yost-Soltani, Camp and Conference Coordinator – ½ time

Disciples Women

• Spring Retreat

MoKan Fellowship

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KC Convencion

• Meets February 26

MORE2 Board

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Young Disciples

• Camp and Conference Coordinator
• Chi-Rho Midwinter Retreat
Regional Minister for New and Transforming Churches

Regional Minister Report

- See Posted Report

General Board Report

Nominating Committee Report

Report on Formation of an Anti-Racism Pro-Reconciliation Team

Action Items:

- Resolution to affirm Christian Church

Continuing Business Items

Dates:

2019
- February 25-27  Introduction to the Analysis of Anti-Racism (pre-requisite for Train the Trainer)-Tall Oaks
- March 8-9 Disciples Women Spring Retreat with Rev. Dr. Marti Steussi at Tall Oaks
- March 28-31 The Universal Christ – a satellite webinar at Southwood UCC in Raytown (Rohr/Crossan)
- March 29-April 1 Ms. Joyce Larko Steiner, Program Coordinator, Christian Council of Ghana
- April 2 Reconciliation Ministry program grants announced
- May 6-8 Anti-Racism Train the Trainer Workshop – Tall Oaks
- May 20-21, Heartland Regional Ministers meet at Tall Oaks
- May 21 Pension Fund to hold a Clergy Financial Wellness event at Country Club Christian Church
- June 19 – Jun 23 MEN’S RITES OF PASSAGE 2019 This is the MN MALES (Minnesota - Men as Learners and Elders) event page for those men interested in the application process for the Rites of Passage being held the summer of 2019 in Sandstone, MN.
- July 20-24, General Assembly, Des Moines, IA 1 https://ga.disciples.org/

Next Meeting: Merriam Christian Church
As members of the Christian Church, We confess that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, and proclaim him Lord and Savior of the world. In Christ’s name and by his grace we accept our mission of witness and service to all people. We rejoice in God, maker of heaven and earth, and in God’s covenant of love which binds us to God and to one another. Through baptism into Christ we enter into newness of life and are made one with the whole people of God. In the communion of the Holy Spirit we are joined together in discipleship and in obedience to Christ. At the Table of the Lord we celebrate with thanksgiving the saving acts and presence of Christ. Within the universal church we receive the gift of ministry and the light of scripture. In the bonds of Christian faith we yield ourselves to God that we may serve the One whose kingdom has no end. Blessing, glory, and honor be to God forever. Amen.

From the Design of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in the United States and Canada

1. What is God’s design for the Church?
2. What is our structure?
3. How are the two different?
4. What should we do about that?