

Regional Board Agenda

Monday, December 20, 2021

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Meeting ID: 502 336 6596 Passcode: 7777

Devotion

Moment for Anti-Racism

Board Development

Minutes

Report of the Treasurer

Reports posted on our Regional Board website will be considered reviewed. Time allotted for this section will be for highlighting critical information and/or responding to questions from members of the Board.

Action Items

- Move Approval to set the date for the Regional Assembly for October 14-15, 2022
- Move Approval of the 2022 Regional Budgets
- Housing Allowance for Clergy Staff (*Required by the I.R.S. – requires no increase in Regional operating expenses*)
- Approve recommendations for standing from the Standing Committee of the RCOM
- Statement of Intention to engage in a facilitated process of discernment about Regional restructure in 2023 with help from Disciples Church Extension Fund
 - Move that the staff and Regional Board of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of Greater Kansas City begin planning in 2022 for a season of discernment in 2023 concerning our mission, structure, and function in light of significant changes in the religious culture since 1986. (*This is a recommendation from our Regional Minister and would need a motion from the floor.*)
- Recognize the withdrawal from the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of:
 - La Gloria de Dios
 - First Christian Church, Kearney
 - *Official correspondence received from each congregation*
- Recognize the closing of
 - Richland Township Missional Church – *Pastor/Developer reports that the congregation never really formed.*
 - (Waiting on confirmation for two other congregations)

Regional Boards must approve action to request removal of congregations from the Yearbook

New Business

Next Meeting: March 28, 2022 *(Likely by Zoom unless otherwise noted)*

Closing Exercise

Closing Prayer

Announcements

Charrette on the Future of Tall Oaks – Saturday, January 24th 10 am – 3 pm with Lunch and hybrid participation (onsite and Zoom) optional. Location TBA. *Purpose: to make recommendations to our Regional Board at its March 28, 2022 meeting regarding the future of Tall Oaks given the actual and anticipated need for significant capital improvements and the uncertainty of break-even or better operational income versus expenses.*

Upon the approval of the 2022 Regional Office Budget and the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the Regional Board for the top applicant (in response to a request for proposals) our Region will contract with a professional Communications Specialist to evaluate our Regional communications strategy, procedures, staffing, software, and hardware so to significantly improve the effectiveness of Regional communications among congregations and members in 2022.

We continue to seek lay membership for our Regional Commission on the Order of the Ministry (RCOM) and need the help of Regional Board members to identify nominees. Please talk with people that value the development and qualification of clergy to lead and serve. RCOM meetings will be held three times a year. A brief video description of the RCOM is available at <https://youtu.be/XOWnZQVFVds>.

We are also seeking to expand the membership of the Budget and Finance Committee that meets monthly on the third Wednesday of the month at 1:30 pm by Zoom. Regional Treasurer [Rev. James Vertreese](#) chairs this Committee.

If you know people with experience in fundraising who have a love of the Church, please contact Regional Minister and President, [Rev. Bill Rose-Heim](#) – now forming a Stewardship and Development Commission.

Our Tri-Regional Partnership with Kansas and Nebraska Disciples continues to evolve. One of our three representatives is unable to continue serving. We meet monthly in the evening by Zoom and seek a congregational leader with the capacity to help us imagine how our three Regions can more effectively serve congregations together and reduce duplication of effort and expense. Please contact Regional Minister and President, [Rev. Bill Rose-Heim](#) or Moderator, [Rev. Mary Lou Kegler](#) with names of nominees.