

**Regional Board of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
of Greater Kansas City
March 25, 2019**

Present: Mark Willis, Gerry Jones, Dave Arnold, James Vertreese, Veronica Fallah, John Steinmetz, Travis Smith-McKee, Jan Brooks, Delesslyn Kennebrew, Casey Sigmon, Mary Lou Kegler, Sheryl Tucker, Bill Rose-Heim, Bo Crowe, Rob Carr

Opening Devotion: Mary Lou Kegler read a devotion from "Daily Wisdom for Women"

December Minutes: Approved with three corrections.

Budget and Finance Committee: Financial Report

January 2019 Report – liquid assets are in a continued decline. Tall Oaks in the red which will continue until they hit their busy season. Currently, New Church cash is shoring up the Region and Tall oaks. Youth Events is also down to \$8693 – Travis Smith-McKee will look into it, as Tall oaks charged against for Mid-Winter but registration fees should have covered?

BRH reiterated we need a Chair for Budget and Finance.

Motion – Committee adjusted New Church Budget, under Salary from \$82,600 to \$85000 – Motion Passed.

Bylaw Task Group

No Report

Stewardship and Development

BRH reiterated we need a chair for this ministry.

Nominating Committee

New and Transforming Church

- We are in an affiliation with Broadway Church
- Having a discussion with Fresh Expressions
- Dinner Church Conference in Seattle in May

Community Engagement Commission

No Report

Tall Oaks Board

No Report

Commission on the Order of Ministry

No Report

Young Disciples

- Mid-Winter and Chi Rho Mid-Winter were both successful. Delesslyn was a big hit as speaker at both.
- Youth Cabinet applications are out and due
- There might be an upcoming Young Clergy Gathering opportunity
- Camp early registration deadline is April 5

Regional Minister for New and Transforming Churches

Delesslyn reported New and Transforming Church has a goal to create a cohort of church planters to facilitate creation of sustainable new church plants. They need mentors for 3-5 cohort members starting in June. They are currently engaged in several ministry opportunities and have developed a new website for New/Transforming Church Ministry.

General Board

No Report

DWM

-Successful retreat was held with 62 attendees, we are already planning for the Fall Retreat in September
-Regional Cabinet will meet April 13
-There are two evening meetings coming up
Veronica's report is online

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No report.

KC Covencion

No Report

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No Report

Personnel

Working on a Policy manual for Personnel.

Regional Minister Report

-Anti-racism Train the Trainer offered so we can provide opportunities for minister in the region to receive Anti-racism/Pro reconciliation trainings.
-Joyce Larko Steiner will be here from Ghana and is available to meet with churches.
-In an effort to better maintain a list of active ordained ministers in the Region, both active and retired, letters were sent out from Ministry Standing as well as calls and emails. This was in accordance with our insurance, which covers all ministers in the region under our care. We are working to clearly communicate the requirements for standing in the region to all of the pastors.
-Report on the formation of an Anti-Racism/Pro-Reconciliation Team – BRH seeking members for this team

Action Items

-Resolution to Affirm New Vision – Travis motioned/Gerry seconded – PASSED
-Nominations for the 7 At-large members of Regional Board – Mark will contact Neil Engle to see if he would chair Nominating Committee again
-Regional Assembly Planning Committee – needs a chair – will add to Nominating Committee list
-Regional Board Calendar – Merriam CC will host first new board meeting/dinner on Monday June 24th(Dinner 6:15PM/Meeting 7:00PM) – we still need churches to host on Sept 23 and Dec 16 – we also need to send out a letter on new board structure to the churches
-Removing non-reporting/non-participating GKCDOC Congregations listed in Disciples yearbook. Gerry motioned/Dave seconded. PASSED

General Discussion

An adjustment was made to Veronica Fallah's salary package – designating \$4000 for housing allowance, retroactive to January 1, 2019. Personnel Committee made motion - PASSED

Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting: The Region Board will meet Monday, June 24th at 6:15 for dinner and 7:00PM for Board Meeting at Merriam Christian Church

Bo moved meeting be adjourned, Casey seconded - PASSED

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Mark Willis, Secretary