

Coordinating Council Minutes

September 13, 2016

Present: Lori Barbeault, Jaye Williams, Bev Morrison, Joel Morrison, Khleber Van Zandt, Dave Lyons
Via Phone: Linda Underwood, Eileen Leapley, Bill Dowling

Meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. and check ins were shared.

Announcements:

Gift Protocol: Religious Education Team had brought up the issue of gifts given to Teams and had asked about the protocol. We do have a policy on gifts. Most importantly we do want to thank those who donate tangible items. Team Leaders should send a thank you and also alert the board so a board thank you can be sent. But the acceptance of a tangible item should be done carefully with an understanding as to ability to store it, maintain it and its usefulness.

Old Business:

Emerging Themes: A joint effort with RE Team and the Caring Team will focus a variety of activities including common reads, lectures, small groups this fall on the subject of aging. All Teams are encouraged to include this theme as appropriate in their endeavors.

New Business:

Need for a Assisted Electronic Defibulator (AED) for Asta Linder: Facilities brought up the need for an AED for Asta Linder given the increased use of that building. Coordinating Council agreed that there was a need and agreed that this device will be submitted to the Board for the Wish List. Facilities Team will complete the Wish List Form.

Need for the Sanctuary to be hard wired: Facilities asked the question to the various Teams about their needs for the Sanctuary to be hard wired. This would ensure steady transmission of computer signals. All agreed that it is necessary and several alternatives were discussed – moving a monitor from Asta Linder to the Sanctuary, hard wiring the Sanctuary, which involves trenching under the driveway or a monthly contract for a minimum of two years with our internet provider. It was recommended that Facility Team present the three options and the costs to the Board.

From the above discussion came the need for new microphones that are more reliable. Facilities will research options and present to the Board.

Letter Writing Event in Support of Climate Change: Social Justice has asked for support from the C.C. for a letter writing event to be held on campus to bring together UUCOV members and others to come together to write letters to politicians and the media in support of climate change initiatives. This Social Justice event is supported by C.C. and the C.C. chair will notify the Social Justice Team Leader, Marty King, and the event coordinator, Brad Hardin.

Rental of UUCOV Facilities: Dave Lyon brought up two current requests for rental of the UUCOV Sanctuary. Venice Musicale and the South County Jazz Organization are both interested in negotiating a rental agreement with UUCOV. Currently we do not have an individual to do such negotiation and Dave Lyons volunteered to assume this role as both organizations need a timely response.

Expression of Solidarity with Muslim Neighbors: Our minister brought up the multiple arson attacks on Florida Mosques. Khleber has been in contact with our local Sarasota Mosque to discuss possible support activities. Sarasota has lost its full time Imam and their interim Imam will be sharing with others the best way to support Mosques that have been attacked. In the meantime, Khleber has written a press release that the Coordinating Council members support and Communications Team will help in submission to local papers.

Respectfully submitted, LW Underwood