

BOARD OF MINISTRY

February 10, 2020

Call to order: Moderator Yff at 6:37 pm.

Present: J. Rudich, Escott, Yff, Raue, Brockington, Boyce, Edwards, Gentry, Rusiecki

Also Present: Rev. Terlouw, Jewett

Absent: B. Rudich

Welcome New Members: Completed a team building questionnaire and then went over and compared answers. Went over the duties of each members position.

Minutes: Motion to approve the January 13, 2020 minutes (Escott/Edwards). Unanimous approval.

Public Comment: Thank you notes to the Boy Scouts and to the person who expressed interest in using the church kitchen for her new baking business.

Pastor's Report:

Grilled Cheese Wednesday – Grilled Cheese Wednesday's are going very well. Liz Wilson from the school stopped by to check out the program. She suggested having background checks done for anyone who is helping with the program. Brockington will check with the NACCC for guidance.

Scout Sunday Debrief – There weren't many church members in attendance for Boy Scout Sunday. The pastor's message was very appropriate for the service. The Boy Scouts were very helpful and did a good job at the service.

Center for Parish Development Partnership – Pastor Sarah is working on Lenten curriculum. The coordination team is completely except for one last potential team member. The Lenten worship & study series will focus around the Center for Parish Development curriculum "Joining God in the Neighborhood".

Lenten Programming – Ashes to Go will take place on February 26 from 12-2 pm downtown Saugatuck. Good Friday worship service on April 10th will be just our church since none of the other local churches are interested or able to do a joint community service.

Clerk Report: No report.

Treasurer Report: Yff went over the financial statements. There is a possible volunteer to help the Treasurer while he is out with medical issues.

Delegate Report: Brockington is investigating what's needed to start a chime choir. She has been in contact with a group in Kalamazoo. She is also looking into a possible grant to help get the chime choir get off the ground.

Moderator Report: Yff is glad to be part of a great Board of Ministry team. She wants everyone to be especially tolerant of each other during this election year.

Building/Grounds Report: Raue reported that the fellowship chairs have all been cleaned. North front doors were fixed but there are still issues with them. Possible yard sign advertising Grilled Cheese Wednesday's. Got a brick for the base of the parking lot sign. There is now a door stop for the back handicapped door

Christian Education Report: Escott, Holstine & Terlouw are doing a book study. Possible three-day VBS in early to mid-August – looking into curriculum. SS Director would like to work on the Sunday School room to make it more learner friendly and would like to take the room dividers down. She would like to possibly take the Sunday School students to Grace of Douglas during a Sunday worship service to sing for the residents. It's been a year since Karen was hired so an annual job evaluation will be done.

Community Life Report: Gentry is working on putting together the pancake/trivia night on February 25. An advertisement will be put in the Holland Sentinel.

Congregational Care Report: No report.

Stewardship/Mission Report: Thank you notes for Bev Nieuwma's memorial donations have been sent out.

Worship Arts Report: No report.

Action Items:

2020 Meeting Date Schedule – The Board of Ministry meetings will continue to be held on the second Monday of the month at 6:30.

2020 Missions – A sample brochure has been created.

Center for Parish Development partnership recap – Terlouw went over the history and future of the partnership.

Treasurer Temporary Assistant – Dean Lampen is willing to help the Treasurer on a temporary basis while he is out with medical issues.

Newsletter Article Assignment – Terlouw & Boyce for Lenten activities. Reminder of due date to get newspaper articles in.

Kitchen Use Request - There is someone interested in renting the kitchen for her new cookie business. Discussion regarding rental cost, etc. A contract will be drawn up and presented to her.

Women's Fellowship Events – The Women's Fellowship has decided to move the bazaar usually held in November to July for a 'Christmas in July' theme. Hoping that more members from the congregation support these events. Will be looking for volunteers for set up, tear down, etc.

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

Grace of Douglas –March 8 at 2pm.

Next Board of Ministry –March 9 at 6:30 pm

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Meeting adjourned at 8:33 pm.

Janna Rudich, Clerk