FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF SAUGATUCK BOARD OF MINISTRY October 12, 2020

This month's meeting was held via Zoom.

Call to order: Moderator Yff at 6:35 pm. Devotions by Pastor Terlouw.

Present: Escott, Yff, Raue, Brockington, Boyce, Gentry

Also Present: Pastor Terlouw

Absent: B. Rudich, J Rudich, Rusiecki, Edwards

Minutes: Motion to approve the September 14, 2020 minutes with a correction to the current building uses

to omit Scouts & Zumba (Escott/Gentry). Unanimous approval.

Public Comment: Thank you's sent to Learning Pod, North Shore Church & Beth for sign language demo.

Pastor's Report:

Heritage Sunday ideas, timeline, bible/religion choices then and now, no Heritage Sunday Potluck – maybe Thanksgiving in a box, theme could be pilgrimming through the pandemic. Advent study materials ordered. Pandemic Christmas – plan for a different type of giving. Sunday school director ad published and new member class scheduled Nov 1 & 8

Clerk Report: No weddings or funerals.

Treasurer Report: The unrestricted balance is 107,307. Contributions are 12% below budget and expenses are 18% below budget. Motion to move any parking lot funds over the budgeted amount to roof campaign – Yff/Raue. Unanimous approval.

Delegate Report: Michigan meeting upcoming. West Michigan CCC has lay person position open to be a representative at the Michigan meeting.

Moderator Report: No report.

Building/Grounds Report: Carpet cleaning scheduled for Oct 19. Board authorizes Doris to add an additional line of service from comcast for the elevator phone and to obtain contractor for in building service to connect phone to new line. CO2 alarm to be replaced. Additional step repairs in process. Fall cleanup is Saturday Oct 24.

Christian Education Report: Sunday School is covered through November with volunteers to help children with projects. Will be ordering bibles for 3rd grade students.

Community Life Report: Campfires/Smores on Wednesdays through October. Halloween drive-in movie Oct 30. Will purchase a \$90 license for rights to show movie. Zoom trivia night planned for the winter.

Congregational Care Report: Will need a shepherd gathering and working on directory

Stewardship/Mission Report: Fall Mission is Christian Neighbors with Cake mix/frosting being collected for Thanksgiving baskets.

Worship Arts Report: Special music set for October & November. Pandemic protocols mostly working well to allow congregation to feel safe during in person worship.

Old Business::

Open positions – SS Director – ad placed. All officer positions are up for renewal in January 2021. One additional sign bid was received – will be emailed to board.

Action Items:

Current Health Department Guidelines review
2021 Budget Projections Assignments handed out to assist in planning for 2021 budget.
Free Mask program to be discontinued outdoors – thoughts about having some available inside.
Plan for dedication Sunday for capital projects using memorial funds

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

Bible Study – Lectio 12:30 every Thursday
Campfire/Smores - Wednesdays at 7pm
Christian Neighbors Annual Meeting October 15.
Crop Walk UCC – October 18
Leaf rake day October 24
Halloween Movie night Oct 30
MCCC meeting – Oct 17

Next Board of Ministry Meeting -November 9, 2020 at 6:30pm

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 pm.

Phyllis Yff, acting recording secretary.