

NORTHERN MICHIGAN DECOLORES

BOARD MEETING – KUMC

SATURDAY, MAY 11, 2019

CALL TO ORDER: Jim Brown at 9:06 am

OPENING PRAYER: Jim DeGraaf

PRESENT: Jim and Linn Brown, John and Helen Hayes, Sarah Esper, Mary Schaub, Jim DeGraaf, Barbara Adkins, Chris Heigel, Ellie Taylor, Tom Riedel

ABSENT: Chris Bissonette, Julie Fluture, Pastor Rodney Knapp

GUESTS: BJ Phillips, Rector for Weekend #109

MEDITATION: Jim Brown, Isaiah 8:6 - Making commitments – Let our Yes be a Yes

REVIEW OF MARCH MINUTES: Sarah moved to accept minutes, Tom seconded motion – misspelling of Barbara Adkins name - misspelling of “Joan” DeGraaf – Board approved with corrections

REVIEW OF APRIL MINUTES: Jim DeGraaf motioned to accept minutes, Chris seconded motion – Board approved minutes as presented

RECTOR REPORT: Jim B. reports he and Linn will be meeting with BJ Phillips, Rector for next men’s weekend. His Co-Rector is Bryon Harrington.

BOARD REPORTS:

SECRETARY: Mary reports that minutes will continue to be sent via e-mail and in written copy at the Board meeting

TREASURER: Barbara presented written report of account balances. Checking Balance is \$4083.63 with a few outstanding checks. Needs final report from both Head Cooks to finalize accounting.

Jim reports check from Wknd # 103 written to the church has not cleared the bank. Barbara will re-write check if necessary.

Barbara received bogus e-mail requesting money – She talked with 4-Front re: protecting account.

John H. made a motion to accept Treasurer’s report. Ellie seconded the motion. Board approved

Barbara has not received thank you letters to most recent host churches in order to give a donation to those churches.

REGISTRATION: Tom reports there is 4-5 potential candidates for fall weekends. These are individuals who wanted to attend previous weekends but were unable to.

COMMUNICATION: Sarah reported work continues on Alpha List. She is working with Tom compiling data. Tom reports contact information from Wknd 91 to present was lost. He worked at gathering that information and adding it to Alpha information.

ULTREYA: Chris reported Ultreya at KUMC is on May 19th due to Memorial Day (Sarah reports it is also a day/time for women's follow up meeting). Jim reports a large crowd at the last TC Ultreya due to Women's team meeting, Men's follow up meeting and Potluck for Women's Weekend. Donations increased due to large number of community members attending.

INVENTORY: - Christine Bissonette not present

HISTORIAN: Julie Fluture not present

NATIONAL BOARD: - Helen reports on April 2nd meeting where only 3 Secretariats were represented. Detroit secretariat is holding a women's weekend on May 16th and a men's weekend in October. There is no further news on the weekends in other secretariats. There is no Vice-President couple on the National Board, so Jim and Joan DeGraaf volunteered to serve as Vice President couple. NMDC is only secretariat with a signed Letter of Affiliation filed with the National Board. Helen found State Registration for 501.3C filed with State as a corporation, name is registered. Other secretariats can now sign the Letter of Affiliation.

OLD BUSINESS:

SONG BOOKS: Jim reports he has contacted Loyd Morris who is working with other musicians to help formulate a list of songs to include in a mini-song book.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR: Both new pastors have now served on weekends. John is meeting with Pastor Rodney to continue identifying new pastors and additional churches to host weekends. Discussion focused on areas of Northern Michigan that are potential areas to host weekends.

BROCHURES: Helen has gotten 75 brochures and has begun to distribute (new cruciastis and at Ultreya's). Jim suggests brochures be distributed to pastors to encourage their attendance at a weekend, opening their church as a host church and encouraging attendance on weekends.

NEW BUSINESS:

FUTURE DATES FOR WEEKENDS:

Jim DeGraaf suggested Board set guidelines for scheduling weekends to avoid conflicts. John H. suggested President couple meet Rector/Rectoress on setting date for weekends. Jim B. recommended 6 month time frame between spring and fall weekends. Brown's will meet with Rector and Rectoress and come back to Bd to continue to develop guidelines.

COMMUNITY GATHERING:

Helen suggested a community picnic/pig roast for entire community this coming summer. Bd members will consider places, dates etc - Sarah suggested June 30th following Ultreya at FCC. Mary suggested "Summer Picnic" /potluck - hamburgers, hot dogs, bratwurst - John H motioned, Jim D seconded to have summer picnic following Ultreya on June 30th at FCC

SUPPORT FOR OTHER WEEKENDS:

Tom Reidel: Tom read a letter from SE secretariat asking for prayers and palanca for upcoming weekends. Tom will post information on Facebook.

INFORMING CANDIDATES/CHURCH/USHERS RE: SUNDAY COLLECTIONS:

Sarah E. suggested collection plates not be passed to candidates when they attend church services at host churches. Bd agreed and defer this to each Head Coordinator on the weekends to communicate with church/ushers at the host churches.

WOMEN'S WEEKEND FEEDBACK:

Jim B. reported new crucista felt team members spent more time with each other rather than with candidates. Jim D. raised concern about Rollistas being pulled out of meals/activities/Rollo room to pray up another Rollista.

MEN'S WEEKEND FEEDBACK:

Some candidates thought they received communion during Sacrament talk by Pastor Rodney Knapp.

Jim D. suggested the topic be discussed with Pastor Rodney.

ULTREYA FEEDBACK:

Some young families bring children and should not be present in small group discussions due to topic being discussed. Tom suggested having a kids' group during discussion time.

Another Concern: Are new Crucistas sharing too much about the weekend with potential candidates in attendance?

Motion to adjourn was made by Sarah Esper and seconded by Tom Riedel. Board approved motion.

Closing Prayer: John Hayes

Meeting adjourned 11:34 am

Next Board Meeting on June 1, 2019 at FCC

Respectfully Submitted, as amended:

Mary L. Schaub

Electronically Signed by:

Mary L. Schaub

Board Secretary