

Town Hall minutes September 20, 2015

Kathy Pruitt lead the meeting. In attendance were, Scott Bishop, Evie Fagergren, Jo Curtz, Karen Tvedt , Patti Logan, Nika Keller, Dick and Betty Hauser, Ramona Marshall, Leeann Tourtillott, Jan Rocks and Penny Purkerson

Minutes were reviewed by Penny and approved. Some attention is needed to details about low children's program numbers with follow up still needed. (See May 10, 2015 TH minutes)

Leeann gave the minister's report which is attached.

Jan Rocks discussed Fruit Sale 2015. Nika and Miriam will do leadership for the sale. **We decided we'd like to do a fruit sale if the community weighs in to help and Nika and Miriam get enough leadership help.** Jan will send an email and Nika will ask the community for a show of hands about being drivers, sellers and garage helpers, at the next celebration.

Nika's YCPC report: All teachers are back and they are all doing great. Groups are small but holding in with 2 to 4 per group. These numbers are considered low.

Kathy welcomed Jan Rocks as our new Call Shepherd. Jan reported that Evie is giving up her finance shepherd roll and that has been announced.

Scott Bishop has created a way to make our website more secure. He also reported on Mail Chimp as a way to do our communication. We would create a group. Then individuals would go to the website and each individual could sign up to get the wave links and emails etc. **We agreed to do a trial with steering circle.** Scott will research the ability of Mail Chimp to monitor/track who is asking to subscribe to Wavelinks.

Budget Report: See attached.

Evie reported that there are no red flags about our current money situation. She'll have more details after Lester gets back from Japan.

See Budget report, included. Kathleen had suggested we boost the **UCC annual meeting reimbursement** to double the amount from last year. We decided to **make it \$400.** Jan met with TOCU and they said our rent amount is fine for next year. Evie reminded us that in 2012, we gave \$1600 to UCC Missions/Outreach/Social Justice but we've only done \$1200 for the last 3 years. **The Pastors fund has \$1770 in it so no more will be added for 2016 year.**

Hiring committee presentation:

Members are Nika Keller, Paul Rocks, Hugh O'Neal, Patti Logan, Karen Ray and Karen Lohmann. Karen Ray found helpful material in the office from the last time we hired a Lay Leader. They re-worked the position description which will go on our website. **We decided not to require that of our Lay Leader be UCC licensed and authorized.** This is a change from the last time we hired a Lay Leader. **We will be asking them to maintain a relationship with UCC including attending the annual meeting of the UCC conference. We approved the document with revisions, the advertisement and the advertisement sites.**

Karen Tvedt as process observer reported no problems.

Next TH meeting for fruit sale proposals is Oct. 18, 2015

Meeting adjourned at 8:40

Submitted by Penny Purkerson, Town Hall Clerk