Dublin Community Church MEETING OF CHURCH COUNCIL February 18, 2025

Present:

Assoc. Minister, Rev. Becky Sunday Buildings & Grounds, Bob Redfield

Moderator, Neil Butler Church Growth & Rolls, Dan Zuber

Vice Moderator, Judy Hoover Fellowship, Sri Kar

Treasurer, Jim Ramey (for Clay Rose) Mission, Judy Kuck

Finance, Randy Luikart Music, no attendance

Christian Ed, Mandy Ebersole Pastoral Care, Andrea Niewiesk

Stewardship, Eric Williams Worship, Corinne Evans

Personnel, Mary Yerina Guest: Cheryl Yeack, DCC Foundation

MEETING MINUTES

A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Moderator, Neil Butler. Rev. Becky Sunday offered an opening prayer.

<u>Senior Minister Report: Rev. Lisa Bowersock (unable to attend)</u>

Report submitted in writing. Rev. Bowersock was out of town and did not attend.

Associate Minister Report: Rev. Becky Sunday

Report submitted in writing. Rev. Becky noted that her Lenten study is a go and will be held on Wednesday evenings beginning March 12th and run through Holy Week. Rather than a traditional Bible Study, this series will be titled "Give Up Something Bad for Lent".

Minutes: Diane van Deusen (unable to attend)

Minutes to the January, 2025 meeting were made available prior to the meeting for Council members to review. A motion was made to approve the minutes by Neil Butler and seconded by Bob Redfield. The vote was affirmative.

Moderator Report: Neil Butler

Report submitted in writing. Neil highlighted some of the things going on in our church, such as the Refresh Projects in the Chapel, Kennedy Room and the lower Main Entrance. He also mentioned that he had attended the Eco-Summit held in the Goodwill Room on 2/15. The conference was well attended (33 attendees, 10 vendors) and was very interesting. There was talk at the end of making the Eco-Summit an annual event.

Vice Moderator Report: Judy Hoover

Report submitted in writing.

DCC Foundation: Reported by Cheryl Yeack, VP

Cheryl provided a handout from the Foundation and shared the 2025 grant funds totaling \$10,250 will be available. That includes Unrestricted (\$5,000), Restricted: Natalie Pedersen Chard Memorial Fund (\$1,150), Alexander James Ko Memorial Fund (\$2,600), and Carol McAdow Memorial Fund (\$1,500). Cheryl elaborated on how the grant funds are determined and that all grants are to be given to projects that enhance the church and its mission, not to sustain the annual budget. The Foundation will announce these grants to the DCC congregation on Sunday, March 16th, at which time Grant Application Forms will be made available. Grant Applications will be due on April 30th. The Foundation will bring their recommendations to Council at the May 20, 2025 meeting.

Additionally, Cheryl revisited the request she brought from the Foundation to amend their by-laws to having members serve 4 years terms rather than 5 years. Last month this was tabled by the Council until the foundation's by-laws were reviewed to ensure there was not a notice of change needed. It was reported to Council that no notice is required, so Andrea moved the Foundation term of service be changed from 5 years to 4 years. Judy Kuck seconded the motion. All were in favor.

<u>Treasurer's Report: Jim Ramey presenting for Clay Rose</u>

Jim Ramey presented the report as both Clay Rose and Randy Evans were unable to attend. Clay had not had an opportunity to review the Treasurer's Report, therefore it was decided to postponed approval until the March 18, 2025 Council meeting. Jim also elaborated on the Cornerstone agreement and recommended that there be a review of their statements to confirm that they reflected what DCC had agreed to.

Finance Committee: Randy Luikart

Report submitted in writing. Randy reported that his Committee had begun the process for having a Financial Audit performed in 2025 as was budgeted. He projected that the audit will likely occur in the summer.

Christian Education Committee: Mandy Ebersole

Report submitted in writing to the drive, but was not in time for it to be in the booklet. Mandy reports that the committee is enthusiastically planning VBS and also that Easter activities are in the works.

Stewardship Committee: Eric Williams

No report. Eric mentioned that what they do is "Thank and Ask". He suggested each committee look at how we can best support our ministers.

Building & Grounds: Bob Redfield

Bob reported much is happening with regards to a water heater for the Kitchen Dishwasher, which is leaking and needs to be replaced. In addition, HVAC that serves the Administrative Office has failed and must be replaced. Bob made a motion to spend up to \$15,000 to replace the HVAC unit for the Administrative Office. Judy Kuck seconded. The motion was approved. Bob concluded with a report that the Refresh Team plans to meet with the City of Dublin to propose updating our entrance awning and adding signage at the parking lot entrance.

Personnel Committee: Mary Yerina (Candy Kennedy unable to attend)

Report submitted in writing.

Church Growth & Rolls Committee: Dan Zuber

Report submitted in writing. Dan asked that each committee try to have 1 member be present at the church during the St. Patrick's Day parade and help greet people and hand out flyers as a welcoming gesture to the community. It would likely go from 10-1 on March 15th.

Fellowship Committee: Sri Kar

Report submitted in writing. Sri mentioned we may need to discuss how to handle restricted gifts that are made to the committee (such as money to cover the cost of a coffee hour) in the future.

Mission Committee: Judy Kuck

Report submitted in writing. Judy shared that our generous congregation donated \$1,305 to the Souper Bowl Sunday collection, to benefit Ann's Angels.

Music Committee: Lynn Rose (unable to attend)

Report submitted in writing.

Pastoral Care Committee: Andrea Niewiesk

Report submitted in writing.

Worship Committee: Corinne Evans

Report submitted in writing. Corinne highlighted that the committee is trying to take some tasks off of Laura's plate, such as coordinating and reminding ushers and the sanctuary set up. They will be purchasing a couple more artificial flower arrangements and offering members the opportunity to donate a minimum of \$35 to the Ministers' Discretionary Fund in lieu of providing fresh flowers. We also made the suggestion that perhaps the ministers could ask the congregation to not fold the attendance sheets. It takes extra time to pull and unfold them. Also, it was noted that ushers may not be aware of the sound the doorbell makes. Corinne said she would add that to the usher training.

Rev. Sunday led us in the Lord's Prayer to conclude the meeting.

Motion to Adjourn made by D. Zuber, seconded by Randy Luikart.

Moderator, Neil Butler, adjourned the meeting at 8:49 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Judy Hoover for Diane Van Deusen, Clerk