

Holy Covenant MCC Board Minutes
July 14, 2022
In person

I: Meeting called to order: 7:07 pm

Present: Joanie Baird, Martha Daniels, Barbara Adams Latsaras,
Roxann Victory

Regrets:

Guests:

II: Opening Prayer – Barbara Adams Latsaras

III: Check-In:

- Barbara – Headache again today. Freezer defrosted while we were away on vacation last week. Threw everything out.
- Joanie – Work is okay.
- Martha – Week is okay. Had first interview for Grant. Went for clergy lunch on Wednesday
- Roxann – Has the potential for promotion to district manager.

IV: Approval of the July Agenda – Barbara Adams-Latsaras

Change the month of the Board Minutes to June on Agenda. Motion was made to accept with change to July Board Minutes Joanie, Roxann 2nd, All in favor.

V: Approval of June 2022 Board Minutes – Barbara Adams-Latsaras

Motion to approve the June minutes by Roxann, 2nd by Joanie, all in favor.

VI: Reports

A. Clerks Report – 21 adults, 3 children

B. Treasurer's Report – Joanie Baird

a. Tithing – June 2022 assessment $\$3,752 \times .035 = \131 , which was not paid. 2018 Assessment repayment is suspended for now.

b. IRS UPDATE – Was paid and was received by IRS. Received the green postcard from USPS back that it was received.

c. PPP Loan – We have received forgiveness for the first PPP loan, Forgiveness is pending for the second PPP loan and is no longer showing up on the PNC banking page for us.

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d. Income – Our current Operating Fund cash balance as of 7/19/22 is about \$2,190, plus two Sunday's estimated total \$600 = \$2,790 Available less Martha's salary for July (\$2500) leaves \$290 less \$988 Unpaid June and July bills, excluding Assessments and Pension leaves a shortfall of (-\$998). On August 1, (Q2) pension owed is \$114 + 131 Assessment = \$245 Owed to UFMCC.

In June 2022 we had total Operating revenue of \$3,752, (Including \$1,114 Network for Good and \$1000 toward salary) and expenses of \$3,944, so we had Net Deficit of about \$192 for June 2022.

Bills July 2022 for Board approval:

a) Electric	\$122
b) Gas	\$ 65
c) AT&T	\$ 52 Paid by donor
d) Erie Insurance	\$ 355 Monthly
e) Water, sewer	\$ 192 Only pay every 2 months
f) Constant Contact	\$ 159 Paid by donor
Total Bills	\$ 945

Flood repair Designated Fund balance is still \$8 as of 6/30/22.
Landscaping Designated Fund balance \$3 after flower purchase

HVAC Designated Fund Balance is about \$704 short, which we have paid back from the Go Fund Me \$1,639 which was received in June. That will leave a balance forward in the HVAC fund of \$935.

Unusual and large bills paid in June is water bill which is \$260. There was an issue with water bills from Brookfield and money may be credited in the following months.

We borrowed a total of \$1800 from the Designated Fund in May, based on expected income from various Facebook and GoFundMe fundraisers.
(These will be repaid to Designated when the funds are received.)

PNC has closed both of our accounts General & Designated due to a misunderstanding of what documents PNC needed from us. In new Business we will select a new bank.

Motion by Joanie to pay assessment & utilities and to pay July bills as money is available and the Board agrees. Roxann 2nd and all in favor.

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C. Pastor's Report

Worship

We continue to create FB events for worship but include the link to the YouTube livestream rather than use FaceBook Live. Thanks for Roxann Victory for taking this on. We have had several recordings of the Scripture readings and the offering prayer from one of our "remote" attendees, which was much appreciated and works well.

Pastoral Care

The community prayers continue. I continue to support the two men in Cook County Jail. I continue to be available for support as needed. I visited a member and his partner while he was hospitalized and brought them Communion. I am working on plans to visit him again now that he is home.

Social Action Ministry

Martha is working on reactivating this ministry.

Administration

I continue to mainly work from home. I am in the church office one or two days a week, usually when I have a meeting or a Zoom call.

Community Outreach

SAGE continues to meet by Zoom; and now in person also (hybrid) on Fridays at 1 pm. The lunches will not resume at this time, due to the required logistics (social distance, kitchen requirements, etc.).

LaGrange Ministerium met July 20 and the LaGrange Business group committee has decided to not have the August services titled All Together Under the Sun. It was decided to have a Saturday service possibly in September.

Thrive with Pride

The large group continues to meet via Zoom on the last Tuesday of the month at 11 am. Our smaller group (the cafe) meets on the first Thursday of the month at 7 pm. The next large group meeting will be July 26 at 11 via Zoom, and it will be a review of the Veteran's Administration services to LGBTQ+ veterans.

Revitalization Team

I continue to meet with Rev. Dexter. The Holy Covenant Revitalization team is meeting sometime in August.

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UFMCC

General Conference, both the program weekend and the Business Meeting, went very well. Because the workshops were pre-recorded, they were available to attendees at any time—this allowed for more workshops and access for attendees whenever it was convenient for them.

The Business Meeting passed the By-Law amendment. The lay members elected to the Governing Board were Chad Hobbs and Léo Rossetti. None of the clergy nominees received a majority of the votes in the first round of voting (top three were Rev. Beulah Durrheim, Rev. Christopher Joseph San Jose, and Rev Elder Diane Fisher), so a second round of votes was held on July 20; those results will be announced on July 22.

Louisville Institute Grant

I continue with the readings and study, as well as setting up interviews with individuals in other denominations who work with people on the inside.

Motion to accept the Clerk, Treasurer & Pastor's report by Barbara, 2nd by Joanie, all in favor.

VII Continued Items

A. Building and Grounds

a. Roof Repairs

We have contacted Nick at C & N Construction about appealing the Erie findings. We are waiting for Erie to name an engineer.

b. Parking

The parking lot needs to be sealed. We will explore this in Spring of 2023.

B. Fundraisers

a. Garage Sale

Roxann and her mother Cheryl will take over the fall garage sale which has been planned for September 24th.

c. PJ Klems

The banquet hall would cost us \$100 to rent plus we would charge people for admission. Cost of admission was discussed to be \$8.00 each. We would have it one Sunday every month. First date could be 9/18 and run from 5 pm to 8 pm.

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There would also be 50/50 raffle and each month would have a theme.

d. Church Dance – Was scheduled for October 22nd

C. UFMCC – See Pastor’s notes

D. Social Media Coordinator

Have changed the website for July, continued Constant Contact every week and update Facebook as needed. Events have been updated in the calendar.

E. Revitalization Program

See the Pastor notes above. Tabled until August meeting when Andrew returns.

F. Planning for the Future

Nothing for this month.

VIII New Business

A. Selection of New Bank

With PNC dropping us as a customer because of document misunderstanding,

Barbara, Martha, Roxann and Joanie investigated different banks. The banks that were looked at were:

1. BMO Harris
2. National Bank of Brookfield
3. Huntington Bank
4. US Bank
5. Chase Bank

The Board discussed the differences between charges for transactions, branches, charges etc. and at length other issues of either getting a bank near us or that is national. After the issues with PNC being a national US wide bank, we decided to go with a bank that is in the area, that answers their phones and is readily available for deposits. Roxann moved to use First National Bank of Brookfield if transactions are waived. If not then the choice would be BMO Harris bank. Roxann, Martha and Joanie were in favor and Barbara abstained.

Barbara, Roxann and Joanie were to go to NFBB to open up an account on Saturday, 7/23/22. From discussion about the banks, we will order the checks and stamps from the Brookfield bank when we are opening the designated and operating accounts.

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B. Request From Faith Lutheran

Faith Lutheran has asked the Board to consider letting them use our sanctuary for their services. Our church used to be their church before moving to where they are at now. They will only need to use our sanctuary on Sundays, will not need an office or classroom space. Martha will get back to Linnie that the two Boards can meet with each other and work out the specifics. There is no timeline for this decision to be made.

IX: Executive Session

Motion to move into Executive Session at Barbara at 9:46 pm

General discussion on personnel matters.

Motion to move out of Executive Session by Roxann at 10:01 and 2nd by Joanie. All in favor.

Closing prayer by Rev. Martha Daniels.

Motion to adjourn at 10:02 pm moved by Barbara and 2nd by Joanie.