United Church of Christ Congregational Executive Board Meeting May 19, 2024

Ben Crosby, serving as temporary Convener, called the meeting to order. Katie Bauer, Gail Carlson, Ben Crosby, Geoff O'Meara (via video conference) and Christi Thielman were present along with Alice Ling, our "Interim" Pastor.

After a time of catch-up and reflection, Alice opened the meeting with prayer.

Minutes for the April 14, 2024 Executive Board meeting were approved as presented.

Alice offered an update regarding supply pastor arrangements. It was agreed that the supply pastor schedule will be posted on the Web site.

The Board reviewed and accepted the Financial Statement for April, noting that we are currently operating at a deficit. They also approved reimbursements to Ben for video streaming equipment in the amount of \$98.50. They also approved a \$25.00 donation to the Nine Mile Cemetery and to cancel the church's Upper Room subscription. There was also conversation about the disposition of the remaining Corinthians Circle funds.

Ben reported that arrangements are in place for the Primary Election on May 21.

Both Christi and Geoff agreed to make some inquiries about possible custodial and snow removal arrangements the church might pursue.

It was noted that the final steps have been taken on the balcony railing project and the memorial bench project.

There was discussion about the condition of the two electric ranges in the kitchen and possible ways to address the situation.

The Board had a brief discussion about three possible Bylaws Amendments for future consideration. There was unanimous agreement that the place/roll of the Pastor on the Executive Board needs to be changed (voice and no vote), the language referencing Corinthians Circle needs to be dropped and the quorum requirements need to be re-examined.

Katie Bauer, Ben Crosby, and Christi Thielman were appointed to serve as delegates to the June 18, 2024 special meeting of the Pacific Northwest Conference of the UCC.

There was general acknowledgment that there were several cleanup projects to be done around the church this Spring.

The Board set June 9 and July 7 as the dates for the next two meetings.

Respectfully submitted, Ben Crosby