

LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING MINUTES

May 20, 2010 4-5 PM Presbytery Office

Dinner and Gathering of Team Moderators and Leadership Team Members 5-8 PM

Attending Rick Campbell, John Cox, Harry Johnson, Linda Knieriemen, Jeff O'Neill, Larry Slager, Andy Thorburn, Seth Weeldreyer. *Staff: John Best, Rich Lichti, Janet Magennis*
Members excused: Chris Prokos, Anne Weirich, Zoe Wilcox

Opening Prayer: Seth

Devotions: We delayed devotions until the next part of the day's gathering

Meal Planning: Staff

Approval of minutes from April 2010: approved as presented.

Council/Leadership Team Business

- We discussed the dates for 2011 stated meetings as recommended by Stated Clerk. **A motion prevailed to approve the following:**
 - **Saturday February 12, 2011**
 - **Tuesday April 12, 2011**
 - **Tuesday June 14, 2011**
 - **Tuesday September 13, 2011**
 - **Saturday November 12, 2011**
- We discussed the request for partial funding of the three-church internship of a seminary student between Paw Paw, Schoolcraft and Benton Harbor First. Questions were asked about fiduciary responsibility, coordination of criteria, reporting priorities and how much \$\$ we have available. **A motion prevailed to approve:**
 - **Outreach Mission Team and Leadership Team will coordinate funding with OMT as the portal for reporting and oversight, with up to \$3,000.**
- **A subsequent motion prevailed to:**
 - **Deal with standardized criteria for funding and for scholarship requests which was referred to Staff for development with the suggestion to ask Dave Milbourn and Larry Nelson to assist.**
- We discussed the need for designated signers from presbytery staff, *with the intention to refer this to the Administration Ministry Team for a recommendation.* In the short-term need for someone to sign for the sale of a church property on June 3, **a motion prevailed for the Leadership Team, as allowed by our bylaws, to have the Stated Clerk Janet Magennis, an ordained elder and elected officer of the presbytery working under supervision of the General Presbyter and Registered Agent, be the designated signer for that property matter.**
- The Stated Clerk Janet Magennis also suggested that the AMT be asked to provide some recommendation to the Leadership Team for some polity-driven requirements we need to build into our organizational structure. **A motion prevailed to refer this to AMT.**
- Worship plans for June 8th stated meeting: **A motion prevailed to designate our SAMARITAN FUND as the offering designation.** We discussed the Stewardship as our theme of the day for June 8.
- As an append to the in-office meeting, an email was sent on Monday, May 24 to the Leadership Team to approve the celebration of the Lord's Supper within the presbytery. **A motion prevailed granting approval for the Lord's Supper to be celebrated**

at the installation of Rev. Fran Lane-Lawrence at Niles First on May 23 and at the installation of Rev. Steven Kaszar at White Pigeon First on June 13.

VISIONING was not discussed since we felt this would be the topic of the other part of today's gathering with Team Moderators.

REPORTS/UPDATES – there was no time for individual reports. We did receive the Presbyter's Report with a few remarks.

- Presbyter's Report – John Best
- Administration Ministry Team - ANNE WEIRICH and JEFF O'NEILL
- Discipleship Ministry Team – ANDY THORBURN and RICK CAMPBELL
- Outreach Ministry Team – HARRY JOHNSON and JOHN COX
- Shepherding Ministry Team – CHRIS PROKOS and LARRY SLAGER

We adjourned for dinner as other invitees arrived. We were joined by Kathleen Goodrich from SMT, Laurie Tupper from OMT and Jan Van Lear from AMT, and reconvened over dinner for the workshop portion of this gathering.

Andy Thorburn tracked the changes we discussed to the Proposed Goals and Strategies currently in development. The meeting adjourned with prayer prior to 8 pm and we asked Rev. Rick Campbell to provide devotions at our next meeting.

Recorded by Janet Magennis, Stated Clerk