

**RCC October 19, 2022**  
**Rehoboth Congregational Church**  
**Executive Board Meeting**  
**Minutes of the meeting submitted by Melissa Enos, Chair**

Attendees: In-person: Jane Williams, Kathy Greenberg, Jodi McKearney, Wendy Cute, Steve Braiser, Kendra Read, Deb Woodward, Andrew Kingsland, Holly Dasilva, Terry Charest, Melissa Enos, Jeani Warish. Virtual: Jodi Durette

1. Devotional: Melissa Enos offered the opening prayer.
2. Minutes of September meeting will be emailed to the Board for approval subsequent to tonight's meeting.
3. Chair comments
  - a. Local Church Profile Update – the profile is almost completed and will be emailed to Board for review and edits.
  - b. Discussion of Need for Interim Minister – following discussion by Board of the possibility of by-passing the Interim Minister stage and proceeding directly to the Settled Pastor job posting, it was the consensus of the Board to post for an Interim Pastor. The Chair will contact Rev. Dr. Patty Kogut to request her presence at an upcoming meeting to discuss the Interim Pastor's role and provide guidance on the salary package.
4. Financial Report
  - a. 2023 Stewardship Update: the amount of pledges received thus far is \$82,401.00. Holly will send out current year pledge statements to the congregation.
  - b. Preliminary FY23 Budget Discussion: Holly DaSilva will gather the current income vs expenses and provide the Budget vs Actuals Report to the Board.
  - c. BvA Snapshot for Epistle: She will also provide figures to Kathy Greenberg for inclusion in the upcoming Epistle.
  - d. Credit Card Update: The new church credit card will be with 'Charity Charge' . There is a \$10,000 credit line. Card holders remain Kathy

Greenberg and Andrew Kingsland. When the new cards are received, Kathy and Andrew will work to have all vendors with automatic payments changed over.

5. Discussion Items

Discussion of UCC Proportional Giving to “Our Church’s Wider Mission” – Kathy Greenberg presented information regarding how Proportional Giving is calculated. The OCWM percentage is determined using the amount of income in the General Fund. It does not include the Endowment account. OCWM encourages a 10% tithe, but does not insist upon it. RCC historically gives around 5%. This amounts to \$10,500. (\$5,000 paid through the Endowment Fund, \$5,500 from Operating Budget). RCC also pays dues to the Old Colony Association at the rate of \$1.50 per member. (\$408).

6. Action items

Motion to appoint Terry Charest as Authorized Person and Melissa Enos as Officer for all transfer requests to Brown, Lisle, Cummings made by Melissa Enos. Second by Wendy Cute. Motion carried.

7. Reports from Delegates

a. Deacons – see attached

b. Youth and Families Ministries - Jodi McKearney

i. Nursery has not been busy. Jenn assists Allison when no infants are present.

ii. Trunk or Treat is scheduled for October 30.

iii. Homeless Awareness Weekend organizational planning is underway.

c. Missions – See attached

d. Properties

Kathy Greenberg presented an invoice that was received for unforeseen dry rot repairs discovered during the Rhinoshield painting project. Motion made to transfer \$1,000 from the Memorial Fund to the General Checking Account made by Melissa Enos. Second by Steve Brasier. Motion carried.

e. Music – See attached

f. Church Life

- i. Bazaar preparation is underway and all rooms have captains and are under control. Deb requested Andrew create flyers to be posted around the community. Lawn signs have been posted.
- ii. Poinsettias will be arranged for Christmas Eve/Christmas Day services.
- iii. For special Sundays (Monthly Mission Breakfast, Trunk or Treat) there will be modified Fellowship offered after church.

g. Tech Update

There was a “glitch” with the door keypads following the replacement of the church modem by Comcast. This was addressed and the keypads have been re-programmed.

h. WKB - no delegate present

- i. At Large - No items at this time.

8. Next meeting - November 15th at 6:30 p.m.

Deacons Report for 10/18/22:

1. We voted to reinstate the Jr. Deacon program. I will make an announcement at church on 10/23 and put something in the epistle. We are going to let the kids know that we will have junior deacons help on communion service Sundays.
2. The new member luncheon was a great success. We are welcoming new members on 11/20. As of right now we have four people joining and possibly two more; waiting to confirm.
3. Missy has graciously volunteered to plan Christmas caroling which will be 12/2 or 12/16.
4. Since Christmas Day falls on a Sunday we have decided to keep the second Christmas Eve service at 9 PM this year and will discuss moving it to 11 PM next year.
5. Since Bert lives in Walpole we voted to have a Deacon run the 4 PM Christmas Eve service and he will do the 9 PM.
6. We will do a Christmas morning service at 10 AM lead by Bert. We are going to give people the option to wear their pajamas and we will have cinnamon rolls and fellowship after service.

## Missions Committee Report

10/18/2022

1. Made our yearly Endowment donation to Cooperative Productions of \$1,000.00, Heifer International of \$1,000.00, Churches Wider Mission of \$5,000.00; all were approved at The Annual Meeting
2. Soup supper was a huge success we had 23 Soups and around 80 people attended and we raised \$1,306.00
3. We are having our first Come for Fellowship Breakfast on October 23rd. This is a free will offering and the menu is Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Juice and Coffee
4. We are doing a Breakfast at TACT in Taunton on November 19th 9am to 11am
5. We are assembling 65 Thanksgiving Baskets on November 19th at 1pm and putting up the Giving T

## Music Committee minutes

October 18, 2022

Music for the Cantata has been purchased and rehearsals have begun. Over 20 singers have signed up to participate. Rehearsals are currently being held on Sunday morning after church.

A donation of \$500.00 was received to help defray the costs. We are hoping that the Giving Tuesday announcement might also have some donations specifically earmarked for it.

The choir has resumed robing and sitting in the choir loft on most Sundays and receiving lots of positive feedback! We are still hoping to increase the number of participants, but OH, DOES IT FEEL GOOD TO BE BACK!!!

The hymns and anthems have been picked out for the rest of the year. We're hoping that getting that done, it will make things easier for worship planning.