

May 17, 2022

**Rehoboth Congregational Executive Board Meeting
Minutes of the meeting submitted by Ann Murphy**

Attendees: Sarah Weaver, Melissa Enos, Jeff Rutko, Steve Braiser, Jodi Mckearny, Jeani Warish, Wendy Cute in person. Jodi Durette and Ann Murphy on Google Meet.

1. Devotional offered by Melissa Enos.
2. Minutes of previous meeting: meeting of April 19th was canceled.
3. Chair and Vice-Chair comments - Melissa Enos
 - a. CNSGP Grant Update:
 - i. \$15,073.20 deposited to RCC checking account
 - ii. There is a June 30 deadline for submitting work receipts to the state.
Discussion of the process of submitting the receipts.
 - iii. Fire alarm technician will walk through to inspect the system Thursday May 19.
 - iv. Discussion continued of what the money will be used for.
 - b. "Free Stuff" request from Ray Medeiros
 - i. The rolling bulletin board will be used for members to list items in the RCC Swap Shop.
 - ii. Deb Woodard will set up a bulletin board for flower memorials.
4. Financial Report - Jeff Rutko
 - a. Biggest variance is in revenue.
 - b. Non-pledges down. Pledges are okay.
 - c. Expenses are where they should be.
 - d. There is a \$28,000 deficit for the budget through April.
 - e. Jeff reassures that the investment account is well managed.
5. Minister - Sarah Weaver
 - a. Holy Week and Easter were wonderful:
 - i. Easter Sunrise Service - 63 people
 - ii. Holy Friday - 12 people
 - iii. Easter Sunday - 170 people
 - b. Study Week, April 17 through the 23rd.
 - c. Recently hosted the Old Colony meeting. Technology worked great so the it was a good hybrid meeting.
 - d. Children's Day is June 12

- e. Confirmation is June 5
 - f. Time change of service for the summer is not happening. It will continue at 10 a.m. as usual.
 - g. Summer Fun Buckets - \$1,300 has been received to support this project.
 - h. Hillside Takeover - The beginning of August. Discussion followed about the length of the day, finding corporate sponsors, new management, and live music.
 - i. Memorial Day Parade - RCC will do lemonade on the lawn and not have a float or people in the parade.
 - j. Website updates - WKB asked to have minutes of their meetings post on the site as are the Executive Board minutes and the events calendar.
6. Discussion Items
- a. Yard Sale June 18, notices will be published on the RCC website and social media.
 - b. Other Fundraisers
 - i. Ray and Barbara Medeiros stepping down as bazaar chairs. Barbara will NOT captain "Grandmother's Closet" and John Kochanski will captain the Woodworkers Shop.
 - ii. Discussion of what sells during the bazaar and whether some rooms should continue.
 - iii. The hope is to get a group together over the summer to work on the bazaar plans.
 - iv. Continues discussion of what types of fundraisers could be done, such as a standalone dessert auction which has usually been a Missions fundraiser.
7. Action Items - none discussed.
8. Reports from Delegates
- a. Deacons - Jodi Durette
 - i. Greeters - sign-up online now. Software set up to send reminders to the individual signed up. Kathy will also print a sheet with a list of names.
 - ii. No bell ringer or acolyte sign-up anymore. Deacons have just been "grabbing" people as they come in, and it is going well.
 - iii. Deacons' duty list has been revised and duties listed for each position during the service.

- iv. Deacons' closet has been cleaned out and all items they use will be centralized there.
 - v. Jenn Medeiros is the contact person for the connection cards.
 - vi. The next meeting is June 1st at the Grist Mill, they will skip the July meeting, and meet again on August 3.
- b. Youth and Families Ministry - Jodi McKearney
- i. June 5th Allison, kids and volunteers will be filling Fun Buckets.
 - ii. June 12th is Children's Day program.
 - iii. Morgan is stepping down from nursery care at the end of her term.
 - iv. Youth Director position and duties discussed. The salary for this job is \$5,411. Discussion followed regarding the type of person needed for this job. Job posting has been created, and discussion followed about where to post the job.
 - v. Discussion followed about what to do this summer for children such as having crafts and activities for all ages. It was also suggested that kids might enjoy some playground toys to play with during the service.
- c. Missions - Steve Brasier
- i. Mcauley Village, the collection drive for Mothers' day baskets netted 32 sets of towels, and WKB gave money for \$20 Dunkin Donut cards. The moms also received 5 beauty products and 2 to 3 jewelry items. The extra towels also went to Mcauley village because there are 45 children and one set isn't enough.
 - ii. Update on Sandra Orr - She was in church with family, Christopher and his wife and Matt. Sandra looked well, and she hopes to attend church once a month. They really appreciated the church's help, and their house sold in a week.
 - iii. June collection will be sunscreen and bug spray.
 - iv. July and August will have two weeks each month designated for water bottle collections. Discussion followed about last year's collection, and Sarah suggested checking with Rose and Mcauley House.
 - v. Endowment Scholarships will be presented to 10 students. Motion made by Steve Brasier to allot \$1,800 for each student. Seconded and MOTION CARRIED.

- d. Properties - delegate not present
 - i. A written proposal submitted by William Gallant, Jr. Masonry Services to install cobblestone (gray pavers) to replace bluestone at the road and to pour concrete on the step landings on either side of the main entrance for a total of \$8,000 was reviewed by the board. Rob Johnson recommends we accept this proposal.
 - ii. Discussion followed of other issues regarding properties, especially, the stairs to the lower driveway. No decision at this time.
 - e. Music - Jeani Warish
 - i. Restarting sanctuary choir on 5/22 and will continue on 7/3, 8/7, and 9/4.
 - ii. BlueGrass Sunday 7/10,
 - iii. Heavenly Brothers 7/17,
 - iv. Old Time hymns 7/31,
 - v. Beatles Sunday 8/14, note: no live stream that Sunday because of copyright laws.
 - vi. September, the plan is for the choir to be back in robes and in the choir loft.
 - vii. Summer potluck is tentatively the 30th.
 - f. No delegates present for Church Life, Tech Update, WKB (see Sarah Weaver's report) and At Large.
9. No items noted for the next meeting.
10. Next meeting is June 21 at 6:30 p.m.
11. Venue/ methodology - stay tuned. Suggestion posed of holding the meeting at Hillside.

Meeting closed with a prayer offered by Sarah Weaver, Minister.