

UCCPH Council Minutes, September 11, 5:30 pm

Attendance: Jan Narracci, Kay Frunzi, Paul Campbell, Gene Eliassen, Gus Burkard, Quinn Gorges, Luke Williams, Cam Burkard

Reflection: Gus Burkard guided us in a reflection on gratefulness. Pastor Quinn led us in an opening prayer.

Memorial Garden: Cam Burkard presented suggestions for the Memorial Garden. A paver will be provided for Jack Nordin, whose wife has a paver there. A fence will be added to better designate the location of the Garden. Plantings and wildflowers will be planted. The ash-spread area was approved by the County as being a location where ashes could be spread. A memory book will be created, creating short bios and meaningful photos of each person, to preserve their legacies. Cam Burkard offered to do this.

Moderator Report:

Melissa Birdwhistell sent a letter to the Council explaining that she will need to resign from Council due to her busy schedule of work and family obligations.

Pastor Report: No one stepped forward to lead the children's church. It was suggested to offer \$50 a Sunday for a person to program for children, preschool through elementary school. There is a budget item for youth programming of \$600.

Motion Made, Seconded, and Passed: The Council agreed to fund the cost of \$50 each Sunday for a person to lead the children's church for the remainder of the calendar year. The motion is contingent on Rebecca, our church administrator, filling the position.

Treasurer's Report:

Revenue has declined; however, our expenses and income are in line with each other. Net Revenue is #3,827.39 year-to-date.

Mission Team report:

LaPuente event is coming up for a group to go to the Alamosa area to glean food on Saturday, September 28. It was suggested that next year the gleaning trip be extended a day (and get a guest pastor) for a planned fun activity for the volunteers in the Alamosa area.

It was suggested that when the checks are cut for the 5-for-5 that a description be provided to the congregation and be put in the weekly newsletter.

Old Business:

Memorial garden: The company that hit the stones in the snowstorm while snowplowing polished the pavers. One stone was chipped, and the company will be contacted to replace the paver.

Youth mental health event update: Eighteen people signed up for the youth mental health event on September 15 at 6:30 pm. An organization out of California, Tell My Story, was formed by a man whose

young teenage son committed suicide about five years ago. The suggestion was made to hand out the church trifolds.

Remaining tasks from the church cleanup: Attached are the tasks completed at the church cleanup and the ones remaining to be done.

Rework the Council leadership: A new leadership structure needs to be decided, as no one stepped up to be moderator and vice-moderator. Several suggestions are being considered. No action was taken at this time.

Update on music director position: There has been no person indicating interest in the music director position. The position will be advertised again.

Church greeters: It was recommended that the term *church greeter* be substituted for *deacons* in order to make serving less intimidating. Paul Campbell will review the old *deacon* responsibilities and revise them for *church greeters*.

Runners: The cost for two new runners to place outside are approximately \$190 each.

Motion Made, Seconded, Passed: Purchase two outdoor weather mat runs for under \$200 each.

New Business:

Review the administrator position: Rebecca, the church administrator, has been doing well. She revised the church newsletter. She has many technical skills, which are a benefit to the church.

Adjournment: 7:30 pm

Next meeting: October 9, 2024, at 5:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Kay Frunzi, Vice Moderator