

Minutes from Core Council Monthly Meeting

Columbus Center for Spirit Living

May 21, 2017

Core members present: Rev. Molly Cameron, Jim Broyles (teleconference), Peggy Wallace, Jenny Perry, Catherine Long, Tim Wefler

Opening Prayer: Delivered by Catherine Long

Love and Sharing: Delivered by all members

Catherine Long Presiding

General Discussion

- **Financial Report for April-** There were 5 Sundays in April, and for the second month in a row, the Center met obligations without the need to dip into savings. A few large donations (two from a former Core Council member and another from a relative of a Core Council member) were extremely helpful in achieving the goal for April. Reviewed the published reports that will be placed on the Website for all to see.
- **Approval of April Minutes-** Approved unanimously.
- **Fun-** Rev. Molly provided a joke.
- **Review of previous Action Items.** One of the items had mentioned moving the Vision Core report more toward the beginning of the meeting so as to have an effect on the Core Council meeting to use the information for additional guidance.
- **Vision Core Report.** Most recent Vision Core meeting seemed to produce the theme of having fun, which coincidentally seemed to coincide with the intentions of the Core Council. Other visions produced involved “being” the change we seek in the world as a good way to get our message out to others. This would involve being an example, having fun together, “get hot”, and community involvement.
- **Stewardship Committee.** Looking at ways to find classroom space. Catherine and Molly had accompanied Christopher Salomone to look at potential location on Sawmill to have a full-time location for the Center. Additional goals on finances could help us clarify when the right time will come for us to make such a move. A proposal will need to be written and presented to the Council for a decision to be made of such scale. Molly felt that September would be a good time to review.

Discussed the Amazon and Kroger “giving” programs. We have been signing more people up for Kroger following the service the last 2 Sundays and to receive credit for the Center through Amazon requires using the link on the CCSL website to order items.

- **Review of Ministers report-** Molly. T-shirts for the Pride Parade will need to be ordered now to have in time for the parade. Discussion on how to pay for them resulted in a decision to request a love offering for those who attended. Both Tim and Jim committed to picking up the tab for any leftover balance from ordering the shirts.

A motion was made to offer Catherine a “letter of call” as an unpaid staff minister at CCSL in the fall, assuming that she is complete with her credentials by then. She has now passed her exam and will be going through the remaining requirements over the coming months. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Discussion around “Mission Statement”. Last month’s discussion revolved around implementation of the Vision Core’s vision by the Core Council. Molly offered a new Mission statement this week. Discussion ensued and we will continue to work on it.

Jenny proposed that we invite Kristen Wilcock to the Prosperity Counting Team. Seconded and unanimously approved.

Action items

- T-shirts for Pride Parade -Molly (Robin)
- Catherine to discuss with the Stewardship committee to create recognition proposal for large donors.

Next meeting June 11th

All members to let Catherine know at least one week in advance of next meeting if they would like to have an item added to the agenda.

Peggy will do the joke at the next meeting.

Benediction and Adjournment