

**Ecumenical Ministries of Perinton, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting - September 12, 2016
@ Perinton Presbyterian Church**

MINUTES

Present: Directors S. Amrine, J. Burgeson, K. Cooman, G. Havens, R. Hill, P. May, L. VanDerveer, D. Wideman, R. Allen, R. Buchanan

Absent: Directors B. Orsini, R. Hill, B. Swarthout, R. Allen

J. Burgeson called the meeting to order at 7:55 p.m.

In reviewing the minutes of the June 2016 quarterly meeting, P. May noted that we needed to ratify the obtaining of the debit card for use by the Fairport Good Neighbor fund treasurer as needed when distributing assistance. P. May moved, seconded by S. Amrine, that the minutes of the June 2016 meeting of the Board be approved. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

K. Cooman moved, seconded by R. Buchanan, that the board ratify its authorization to obtain a debit card for Fairport Good Neighbor Fund use, which the Board had approved by email concurrence over the summer. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

It was noted that some member churches remain inactive. After review of the bylaws, K. Cooman advised that any member church may voluntarily resign its membership in the corporation.

REPORTS

It was noted that in effect, if not by formal appointment, we have a board member liaison with respect to each of the ministries under the EMP umbrella. This practice should continue, with the hope that various board members may gravitate to that role, and assume it whenever the need arises for a new liaison.

Fairport Good Neighbor Fund [L. VanDerveer]

Five clients were served. The debit card has been received, but not used yet. It is likely to be used sparingly, and only when a check will not suffice. Frank does a good deal of personal counseling as needed in his role as Treasurer, and enjoys the client contact work.

Habitat for Humanity [R. Hill]

The group is fundraising at this time, and that funds for a house to be constructed in 2017 are in place. J. Burgeson reported that there are no further updates at this time.

PMUNY [R. Buchanan]

Joyce McAndrew was not able to attend tonight, but is willing to attend as needed and requested. R. Buchanan as liaison attended a recent meeting of PMUNY on August 26, 2016 at Greenhouse Cafe on East Main Street. He was impressed with the Board, and its workings. The PMUNY board meets monthly. G. Havens may become involved in that part of the Residents Encounter Christ ("REC") ministry known as "Hoot", and is proceeding with the application process. Four or five RECs in the prisons have been held in 2016.

EMP Financial Report

G. Havens distributed the EMP financial report covering the period from July 1, 2016 through September 12, 2016. Insurance costs go up a bit each year. The annual premium does NOT include the Advent House premium.

G. Havens distributed the EMP budget for 2016-17. The member churches will be asked for annual support of the ministries.

D. Wideman moved, seconded by L. VanDerveer that the EMP financial report be accepted. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

P. May moved, seconded by K. Cooman that the EMP budget for 2016-17 be approved. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Officers for the coming year

An update was provided concerning discussion among the Executive Committee members about possible officers for 2017, and the succession patterns that have typically been in place for board leadership. A different approach may need to be taken, to reflect possible residence moves, other commitments of board members, and personal comfort level in taking on various leadership roles. A nominating committee will recommend officers for the coming year: J. Burgeson appointed L. VanDerveer to chair the committee, with D. Wideman, and either P. May or R. Hill (as available) as conferring members of the committee.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held Monday, December 5, 2016 at Risen Christ Lutheran.

Meetings for 2017 will be scheduled for March 6, June 6, September 11, and December 4.

There being no further business, P. May moved, seconded by S. Amrine, that the meeting be adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin S. Cooman, Secretary

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