# Ecumenical Ministries of Perinton, Inc. Board of Directors Meeting – June 5, 2017 @ Fairport United Methodist Church

#### **MINUTES**

Present: Directors S. Amrine, R. Buchanan, J. Burgeson, K. Cooman,

G. Havens, R. Hill, B. Meighan, B. Smith, D. Wideman

Don Webster, PMUNY representative

Absent: Directors B. Orsini, B. Swarthout

J. Burgeson called the meeting to order at 8:16 p.m.

R. Buchanan noted that the draft minutes of the March 2017 board meeting should be amended to reflect that he was present. D. Wideman moved, seconded by G. Havens, that the minutes of the March 2017 meeting of the Board, as so amended, be approved. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED. P. May and S. Amrine abstained.

#### REPORTS

# **Fairport Good Neighbor Fund**

The Good Neighbor Fund Report had been distributed in advance. No questions were raised. The requests to the FGNF year to date have picked up. R. Hill moved, seconded by D. Wideman, that the report be accepted. UNANIMOUSLY ACCEPTED.

B. Meighan has agreed to take over the liaison position to the FGNF, taking over for L. VanDerveer who has retired from the Board. A place is needed for a file cabinet to contain all the historic financial records of the FGNF. It was suggested that B. Meighan check with Advent House for a possible basement location there for this storage.

A motion was made to remove L. Vanderveer as alternate FGNF account signatory and replace with Charles (Bud) Meighan as the alternate signatory on the FGNF account, including the signing of any necessary bank resolutions. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

### **EMP Financial Report**

- G. Havens had distributed the EMP financial report in advance. P. May moved, seconded by R. Hill that this report be approved. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.
- G. Havens explained the proposed 2017-18 EMP budget. The goal is to have reduce the carryover funds to approximately \$10,000. The proposal is for each church to contribute, on average, \$250 a year, understanding that some congregations may be able to do more, and others

less. R. Hill moved, seconded by P. May, that the EMP budget proposal for 2017-18 be approved. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED. The annual letter requesting church contributions will be sent out in September.

# **Habitat for Humanity**

R. Hill reported that ground will be broken soon for the summer new house build. The foundation is being installed by professional masons. July 10 is the target for the start of work by the volunteers. Each participating church takes a week for its work commitment. Registration to work can be done online. \$65,000 has been raised toward the house costs.

## **Prison Ministry of Upstate NY**

Joyce M. had distributed in advance her written report for PMUNY. Don W. reported on the ministry, including comments on the PMUNY financial report. G. Havens noted that he needs 12 months of financials for the period 7/1/16 through 6/30/17 to be incorporated into the EMP financials for the year. A request was also made that church contributions to be listed on the PMUNY report. PMUNY also receives individual contributions.

D. Wideman attended a HOOT last weekend, with 18 resident attendees. R. Buchanan also attended one at Attica recently that had 41 residents present. The prison residents who attend are grateful to have visitors for this wrap-up session. These prove to be very moving experiences for the attendees.

PMUNY representatives have been able to speak at area churches. Board members suggested that additional publicity information be provided for them to distribute or make available.

- A PMUNY budget was requested for the fiscal new year beginning July 2017, for approval in September at the EMP Board meeting.
- R. Hill moved, seconded by G. Havens, that the PMUNY quarterly financial report be accepted. UNANIMOUSLY ACCEPTED.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

The PEM website domain is registered to Darren Miller, the website creator. A request for made to determine who actually owns the site, and what the details and timing of renewal are. This matter was referred to the Communications Committee.

- P. May noted that RESOLVE is doing well. EMP helped launch Safe Journey. Eight Perinton churches still contribute.
- B. Smith noted the homeless family program, "Family Promise" in Wayne County. RAIN in Rochester does this same ministry. It provides an overnight at churches for homeless people, who are then bused to training or to school.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 9:25 p.m, with the recitation of the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin S. Cooman, Secretary

