

Minutes – Tuesday, February 22, 2011

Live Oak Board of Trustees Meeting

David & Lisa Fry's apartment

Board Members Present: Lisa Fry, Peter Hand, Darlene Pagano, Ruby Reay

Absent: Vicky Jensen

Guests Present: David Fry

Called to order at 7:20 p.m. Peter read our opening words and we lit the chalice.

Approve/Modify Agenda: Added: Stewardship, Small Group Ministry Kick-Off, Nominations, District Assembly/General Assembly, All Fellowship Meeting. Lisa moved, Ruby seconded our agenda be approved as modified. Unanimous.

Financial Report: Income is tracking well and expenses are under budget. No concerns.

Stewardship: Darlene reports that the plans are moving along for fun gatherings, following much on last year's plan.

Location Search: The minister at Christ Episcopal Church in Alameda is in favor of us renting there, but needs to take it to their board in March. We will get her a copy of the contract we currently have with The Home of Truth. Two other locations are being looked at by Ruby and Roger Hallsten, respectively. Laurel resigned from the committee.

Stewardship Planning: The team is planning a process similar to last year (small parties and fun). The team is trying to get this all done by mid-March.

Mission Discernment: Peter has contacted Jeanelyse who says she is happy to work with us and she proposed April 23 as a date for training all our "Listers." Peter will write an article framing what we are hoping to accomplish and how everyone can be involved.

Social Justice Discernment: Regarding the existing interfaith group (Montclair Presbyterian, Kehilla, and Islamic Cultural Center), Peter is still waiting for information from someone at Montclair Presbyterian.

Small Group Ministry Kick-Off: We have two possible dates. Lisa and Ruby will check with their Small Group and settle on the date. Then Lisa will start promoting the event.

Nominations: Peter and Lisa both wish to run for election again. Ruby prefers to step down at this point. Peter will contact the Nominating Committee.

Accessibility Status: Nothing has moved forward on this because we are looking for a place that is already accessible.

District Assembly & General Assembly: Darlene will promote DA to our congregation. And finance will set aside the equivalent of 5 "early bird" registrations to help more people within our congregation attend. There are two outstanding keynote speakers and many dynamic workshops planned. Darlene also says she wants to attend GA. Peter is not sure if he will be able to attend. Finance will also look at how much money we can provide to help people attend.

Date for All Fellowship Meeting: We selected Sunday, March 13, 2:00 p.m. Lisa will check the availability of The Home of Truth and then let folks know about the meeting, which will include election of officers.

How Are the Board and Fellowship Doing? Several of us were energized by the dates and programs we set tonight. We're excited that we are attracting new people who are staying and interested in membership. We expressed our deep gratitude to Ruby for serving as a board member.

Darlene read our closing reading and the meeting was adjourned.

Action Items – for Board members and guests

- David will continue to work with the Episcopal church in Alameda and talk with other search team members about other venues
- Stewardship team (David and Roger) will firm up the parties and start publicity
- Peter will write an article re mission discernment process
- Lisa & Ruby will confirm date for Small Group Kick-Off
- Peter will contact nominating committee.
- Darlene will publicize District Assembly and that money is available
- Finance committee will look at monies for DA and GA
- Lisa will check THOT for March 13 meeting.

Action Items -- Remaining from previous lists

- David will contact Leo's Audio about their cost proposal
- Peter will install grab bar at THOT cottage
- Lisa will investigate curricula for new member orientation