

IUCC Ministry Board
Monday, February 8, 2021 @ 7:00pm
Meeting via Zoom

Ministry Board Minutes

In attendance: Felicity Figueroa, Pastor Steve Swope, Pastor Sarah Halverson-Cano, Tricia Aynes, Karolyn Fencl, Cindy O'Dell, Lorraine Fox, Chuck Heath, David Smith, Pat Sauter, Alex Ingal, Ava Mitchell, Matt Mirmak, Cheryl Arismendi, Craig Tyrl, Lauren Louie, Eduardo Arismendi-Pardi. Cheryl Trobiani, Steve Goetz.

7:09 Felicity calls meeting to order.

Inspirational Thoughts / Moments of Gratitude

7:10 Felicity: thankful that Ava is here, and for her help with MYP.
Eduardo: thankful for Diversity & Inclusion's hard work. Special call out to Felicity, Jenna, Lesli, Matt, and Lauren for their time and talents. Announces a speaker from UNLV, Dr. Mark Padoongpatt. Felicity acknowledges and thanks the group effort.

Approval of Minutes

7:12 Approval of January minutes
Motion: Lorraine
Second: Eduardo
All in favor: unanimous

Ministry Board Reports

7:14 Cindy: wants to make sure we received her Ministry Report.

Volunteer Needs

7:14 Cindy: asking for help with Sunday morning technology. She is happy to show someone who is technologically savvy how to do it. Monitoring Facebook, "liking" comments, troubleshooting any issues, then copy and paste video into the website.
Eduardo: thanks Cindy for her technological help with his January 9th

presentation that is now on YouTube.

Lorraine: suggests Cindy put her request in the newsletter, and Felicity suggests Pastor Steve puts it in one of his updates.

In chat: Craig: "We could ask the Deacons too."

Pastor Report

7:19 Pastor Sarah: Thanks Craig for his Communion video, thanks Matt for making Scout Sunday happen, thanks Pat for her weekly alter decorating and her help with Pastor Sarah's office. Wants to include as many faces and voices as possible regularly in services.

Excited that Ava is joining MYP as the co-chair.

David Perez has decided to step down to focus on his family, but will stay through the season of Lent.

Ministries are coming together for "Caring Connections" because people are feeling disconnected during the pandemic. Pilot program during Lent, Wednesdays at 4pm, "The Journey Inside" a drop-in to give people an opportunity to connect.

Exploring a Spanish Ministry to be progressive Christian voice in a Spanish-speaking world that's dominated by Roman Catholicism.

Reminds us to sign up for Ash Wednesday, Feb 17th. Cheryl Trobiani offers her help with the "drive-by" ashes.

Staff Report

7:27 Pastor Steve appreciates all the work from D&I, the women's groups and book studies, Chuck and Green Faith. Assures us that there's just as much going on as usual, even if it's behind the scenes.

Calendar Additions

7:29 None

Old Business

7:29 Felicity: Winter Congregational Meeting, comments or suggestions? Alex points out that Zoom voting was updated, and suggests we do a test vote in the future. Pastor Steve says he'll ask everyone to update their Zoom software before the Spring Congregational Meeting on the 3rd Sunday in May, and asks Alex to cancel Coffee Hour that day so that we have time for practice voting.

New Business

7:31 Pastor Sarah: wants to see how we can help people in our congregation and community get help with vaccine information or registration.

Felicity: D&I had questions about their non-existent budget. Tricia says the budget was already approved by the Congregation, and we can't go back and change it. Pat says that a Task Force is supposed to have a sponsoring Ministry that will account for the Task Force in their own budget. Pastor Steve says that under better financial circumstances, the Admin Board could approve other funds to be used. D&I will need to ask for funds in August when the budget process begins.

Miscellaneous Business

7:41 None

Announcements

7:41 Felicity: the Newport Mesa Irvine Interfaith Council meeting in February will honor Black History Month with Black Family Representation Identity and Diversity. February 17th at 12:00PM.

Felicity: meeting on OC Board of Supervisors: who they are, what they do, and why you should care. February 15th at 2:00PM

Pastor Sarah: there's an election on March 9th

Steve Goetz: thanks Ava for her contributions and collections for the shelterless homeless.

Adjournment

7:44 Motion: Dave

Second: Eduardo

All in favor: Unanimous