

IUCC Ministry Board  
Monday, April 11, 2022 @ 7:00pm  
Meeting via Zoom

## **Ministry Board Minutes**

In attendance: Felicity Figueroa, Tricia Aynes, Pastor Sarah Halverson-Cano, Pastor Steve Swope, Karolyn Fencl, Cindy O'Dell, Craig Repp, Cheryl Trobiani, Lauren Louie, Renae Boyum, Kathi Smith, Diane Rust, Lesli Mitchell, Pat Sauter, Steve Goetz, Eduardo Arismendi-Pardi, Alex Ingal.

7:07 Felicity calls meeting to order.

### Inspirational Thoughts / Moments of Gratitude

7:07 Renae: Grateful for the participation in the All-Church Workday. Sent emails to friends to come to Easter Sunday, and suggests the M-Board do the same. Discussion about Easter Sunday service activities, such as Easter Egg hunt and crepes.  
Diane: Grateful for Pastor Sarah's Lenten messages, and for the recent discussion lead by she and Bil Aulenbach.

### Approval of Minutes

7:12 Approval of March Minutes  
Motion: Eduardo  
Second: Steve G  
All in Favor: unanimous

### Ministry Board Reports

7:13 Steve G: Mission & Service planning to host Family Promise for one-to-two weeks on July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Waiting for clarification from Sharon.  
\*\*updated later in meeting: dates are incorrect. More info to come.  
Felicity: Unitarian Universalist Congregation in Costa Mesa, meeting April 12<sup>th</sup>, 10:00am about Ukrainian and Russian refugees.  
Steve G: Bill Jacobs, Church of the Foothills, meeting April 15<sup>th</sup> about the 900 refugees coming to OC from Afghanistan. Housing is an issue.

## Ministry Spotlight:

### 7:16 Alex Ingal, Hospitality

Hospitality is in the Bylaws as providing beverages and refreshments after services. Covid created challenges and it was necessary to adapt. Hospitality provides snacks. Alex enjoys contributing his baking as well. Alex begins to set up and brew coffee at about 9:20am. Looking for hosts to participate; it's a good opportunity to meet people. Hosts can provide food if they choose; otherwise, Hospitality provides. Hosting is a great opportunity to talk to people about your Ministry. Since Alex gets biodegradable Coffee Hour paper supplies for a fair price, he offers his supplies for other people's small events. Pat purchases Fair Trade Certified coffee in bulk.

Eduardo: thankful for Alex's baked goods.

Lesli: Diversity & Inclusion and Advocates for Justice Ministries, along with Multiracial Americans of SoCal and OC Human Relations hosting a non-partisan event on April 19<sup>th</sup>, 6:30p – 8:30p at IUCC (in-person and live stream) about voter education and suppression in the US. 18 teens are presenting research about the Voting Rights Act and the history of voter suppression. Panelists include Irvine Mayor Farrah Kahn; Professor Dr. Fred Smaller, Chapman University Dept. of Political Science; Cynthia Valencia, ACLU; Robert Herrera, Resilience OC. Inspiring teens and other members of the community to get involved.

## Volunteer Needs

### 7:33 Laura: Easter Sunday is covered, but she'd be happy to take volunteers.

Thinking about planning Summer Spirit Day for July.

Pat: inquiring about Deacon coverage and parking help on Easter. Follow-up needed.

Steve G: Mission & Service will need volunteers to help set up and spend the night when IUCC hosts Family Promise (dates pending).

Felicity: OC Pride, wondering if we are supposed to be in the parade or have a booth there.

## Pastor Report

### 7:37 Pastor Sarah: Excited about the work Membership is doing; had a successful Welcome Lunch. Focusing on inviting and incorporating new people, but it's also important to reconnect with old members. Would like a commitment from all Ministries to participate in both recruiting and following up with members that haven't been back. Welcoming feedback to understand why

people have not yet returned. Some members no longer attend in-person services, but attend virtually or other IUCC activities. All Ministries please submit a roster of recently active members to Sarah and Renae.

### Staff Report

7:50 Pastor Steve: Spring Congregational Meeting on May 15<sup>th</sup>; reports need to be submitted by May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Keep reports to one page. A link to last year's reports is available for reference. Admin Board is leasing Plumer Hall to Irvine Hebron Church beginning in June; Sundays from 12:30pm – 4:30pm (on Calendar through end of year). Coffee Hour will need to end promptly so clean up will be done by 12:30pm. Steve is looking for a Carpenter for a small project. New patio sails should be installed by Easter Sunday.

### Old Business

7:57 Renae: April 10<sup>th</sup>, All-Church Workday. About 45 participants. The day was a success and Church Leadership feels ready to welcome people on Easter Sunday. "Before and after" pictures will be posted.  
Felicity: Some Ministry videos are still missing and need to be submitted.

### New Business

8:00 Felicity: CLUE: Clergy and Laity United for Economic Justice has contacted IUCC to buy a 10-person table for awards, snacks, and fundraising on May 19<sup>th</sup>, 5:30-7:00pm at Harbor Christian Church in Newport Beach. Reverend James Lawson is the featured speaker. CLUE supports OC Immigrants and Workers.  
Renae: Pastor Potluck has been a great activity in the past. Time to get the dates on the Calendar and Ministries can take turns hosting. Typically they've been scheduled monthly on different days.

### Miscellaneous Business and Announcements

8:10 NMIIC in-person vegetarian lunch event at Sikh Center of OC, Gurudwaras in Santa Ana Wed April 20<sup>th</sup>, 12:00pm. Women For OC, Memory, Aging, and Alzheimer's Disease Mon April 18, 2:00pm via Zoom. OC Pride June 25<sup>th</sup>. OC AIDS walk October 22<sup>nd</sup> at Mile Square Park.

### Adjournment

8:15 Motion: Eduardo  
Second: Alex  
All in favor: Unanimous