

LEADERSHIP COUNCIL
National Association of Congregational Christian Churches
Conference Call
October 18, 2018

1. Call to order: The Leadership Council of the National Association of Congregational Christian Churches was called to order by Moderator, Jim Waechter, at 7:30 EDT by conference call.
 - Roll Call: Secretary, Judy Campbell took roll.

LC Voting Members present: Moderator, Jim Waechter; Vice Moderator, Rev. Dr. Cynthia Bacon Hammer; Patrick Stewart; Carol Taylor; Mary Prendergast; Janet Wilson; Barb Dabul; Rev. Justin Nierer

Non-Voting Members present: Executive Director, Rev. Dr. Michael Chittum; Secretary, Judy Campbell; Treasurer, Jeff Dillon; Historian, Rev. William Lange; Foundation Board of Governor's Rep, Bob Smith

LC Members absent: Rev. Dr. Irv Gammon

Others present: DODC, Debra Fulton
2. Welcome and personal check-ins: Comments and concerns – participants related activities over the past weeks and upcoming events. Rev. William Lange related that the Congregational Library was producing a piece on the 400th. The presentation will be available on the website.
3. Opening Devotion: Vice Moderator Cindy Bacon Hammer offered devotion and prayer.
4. Approval of minutes:

2018/19 LC 011 Motion by Judy Campbell to approve Minutes of the September 19, 2018 conference call as submitted. Motion seconded and adopted.

5. Approval of Agenda: Agenda approved by consensus.
6. Staff Reports:
 - Executive Director: Michael Chittum referred to his report on Trello which listed his activities for the month. Painting work on the Oak Creek building is complete a contract has been signed for work on the HVAC system.
 - CFTS: Charles Packer was not on the call.
 - Development: Debra Fulton commented on her written report on Trello which addressed leadership giving and the results of recent appeals. The post AM appeal raised \$13,000 by Sept 1st to secure the Challenge of \$10,000. Goal is to raise \$30,000 by late November. As of Sept. 30, \$26,360 has been raised.
 - Congregationalist: Marianne King was not on the call. Michael Chittum reported that the deadline for the December issue has past. The December and March issues will be shorter due to budget issues.
 - Financial: Treasurer, Jeff Dillon reviewed the financial reports.
7. Growth Ministry Report: Carol Taylor reported that their next meeting will be Monday. Advent Devotionals are at the printer. They have 3 possible workshops for the AM&C. Pat Hunt writing an article for the YRD Line. Next month working on Budget.

8. Mission and Outreach Ministry Report: Janet Wilson that they are sending funds to the Philippines and Neymar Grace Children's Ministry. No report on Hurricane Michael. Jamie Bonnema is going to Denver to visit the National Parks Mission. Barbara Dabul reported on her recent successful visit to the Pan American Institute where she gave a concert for the school. She took with her about \$300 of school supplies donated by members of the CC of Sun City, AZ. Their budget meeting will be November 6-8.
9. Vitality Ministry Report: Justin Nierer reported that the President and former president of the Pan American Institute will be guest speakers at the upcoming Michigan Conference. The Vitality MC has 2 workshops planned for the AM&C. One is a panel discussion on ministry with people with disabilities. They have completed a list for Lay Ministry Training. They have made plans for 3 regional Ministers' Convocations and are working on on-line registration. Working on budget. Charles Packer is planning on a Boston Seminar again next year.
10. NACCC Reports:
 - Youth: Patrick Stewart referred to his report on Trello. He reported that the Iowa/Nebraska Association met following the Symposium in Marshalltown. The association gives \$100 scholarships for NAPF/HOPE and require that the recipients report. There were more than a dozen reports in total. Three reported in person. The NAPF/HOPE planning team will meet in November.
 - Board of Directors: Cindy Bacon Hammer reported on the BoD Oct. 8 meeting. The Board approved appointments to the Personnel & Administration and Building and Loan committees and ratified the Board of Governors members. Next meeting will be to "brainstorm" about the long-term financial health of the NACCC.
 - Board of Governors: Bob Smith reported they were getting ready for their November meeting in Oak Creek. They have completed the gift policies for both the Foundation and the Association. They will be taking the proposed Association policy to the Board of Directors for approval. The consolidation committee has completed work on the Foundation Endowments and is beginning work on the NA funds. They are reviewing the Foundation by-laws and other legal documents to ensure compliance and compatibility with the NACCC.
 - Historian: Will Lange reported they are working on pamphlets and educational materials regarding the 400th.
 - Treasurer: Jeff Dillon reviewed the financial reports. Giving to the Shared Ministries Fund is ahead of budget. Workbook has spreadsheets for each of the MC's.
 - AM&C: Jim Waechter reported on a recent meeting in Cleveland with the host committee and AM&C planner. Still need to finalize speakers and workshops. Discussion of plans for 2021 AM&C schedule. AM&C Accessibility Task Team will be convened by Ashley Cleere.
11. Task Team Reports:
 - Center for Cong. Leadership TT: Jim Waechter reported that the team has not met. Laura Hamby will convene.
 - YRD Team: Has not met. Dawn Carlson will convene.
 - Website TT: Debby Fulton will convene
 - Membership TT: No report

Approved as corrected 11/21/18

12. NA Leadership Giving: Jim Waechter and Debby Fulton spoke on the importance of leadership giving. Currently BoD/Leadership – 80%; BOG – 100%; Growth – 80%; MOMC – 60%; Vitality – 100%

13. For the good of the order:

14. Next call: Next call will be Wednesday, November 21, 2018 at 7:30 EST, 6:30 CST. This meeting will be a Visioning call. Please use format used for YRD on Trello.

15. Closing prayer: Pastor Carol Taylor offered the closing prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm EDT.

Judy Campbell

Secretary