

LEADERSHIP COUNCIL  
National Association of Congregational Christian Churches  
Pre-Meeting  
Airport Marriott, Cleveland, OH  
June 20, 2019

1. Call to order: The Leadership Council of the National Association of Congregational Christian Churches was called to order by Moderator, Jim Waechter, at 9:00am EST in the Ontario.
  - Roll Call: Secretary, Judy Campbell took roll and confirmed a quorum was present.

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

NonVoting Members present: Secretary, Judy Campbell; Treasurer, Jeff Dillon; Historian, Rev. William Lange; Foundation Board of Governor's Rep, Bob Smith;

LC Members absent: Patrick Stewart;

Others present: Executive Director, Rev. Dr. Michael Chittum; Dean of CFTS, Rev. Dr. Charles Packer; DODC, Debra Fulton; CFO, Dan Drea
2. Welcome and personal check-ins: Jim reported on "unloading of the truck" that just arrived from the Oak Creek office.
3. Opening Devotion: Secretary Judy Campbell offered the opening devotion and prayer.
4. Approval of minutes:

**2018/19 LC 020 Motion by Carol Taylor to approve minutes of the May 22, 2019 conference call as printed. Motion seconded and adopted.**

5. Approval of Agenda: Agenda approved.
6. Pre-meeting agenda: Moderator Jim Waechter reviewed final schedule for the next few days.
7. Plenary session agenda: Moderator Jim Waechter explained the process that will be used during the combined leadership plenary session this afternoon. There will be four topics related to engaging and communicating with churches. Attendees will be divided into groups for discussion.
8. Growth Ministry Report: Carol Taylor and Mary Prendergast said their plans at this meeting were to work on policies and procedures for NAPF/HOPE reporting of issues and a policy for youth scholarships; continuing work with Hurting Churches and; communication with new member and isolated churches.
9. Mission and Outreach Ministry Report: Janet Wilson and Barbara Dabul reported that there are 11 missionaries attending the meeting. MOMC will determine what they need from the NA. Council is getting to know new staff person, Julie Robie. At this meeting they need to talk about the progress made at "Christ to the Villages" with their start of a Cashew Farm.
10. Vitality Ministry Report: Rev. Dr. Charles Packer reported on the 2 CFTS students that will be graduating this year and on plans for offering the Boston Seminar again this year. Really good news, the NE Fellowship has offered \$5,000 in scholarship funds for ministers from other traditions to attend the Seminar. Irv Gammon noted that the NE Fellowship had also granted funds to the

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Plymouth 400. Justin Nierer reported that at this meeting the VMC will work on revamping the criteria for several awards, the recent Ministers' Convocations were a success and that Doug Grey is continuing to work on the Lay Ministry Task Team developing a Video.

11. Developing topics/task teams for next year: Moderator Jim Waechter listed the LC's current task teams: YRD; CCL; Membership; Website; AM accessibilty. Discussion included questions/concerns/thoughts on guidance, use of others on task teams, need for coordination of efforts.

**2018/19 LC 020 Motion to establish a task team to provide guidance to others on establishing teams. Jim Waechter, Judy Campbell and Michael Chittum appointed to team. Motion passed by consensus.**

12. Open Secretary Position in 2010/2021: As current secretary, Judy Campbell has announced she will not be seeking re-election in 2010, Jim Waechter said he is actively working with the Nominating Committee and Board of Directors to fill the position. Ideally a candidate will be identified early on and be able to work with the current secretary prior to the 2010 AM&C. Please consider nominating a qualified person from your local church or association.
13. For the Good of the Order: Moderator Jim Waechter invited all leadership to a reception to thank everyone for their service this past year.
14. Proposed meeting schedule: Discussion of changing from monthly meetings to every other month. Post meeting will be at close of AM&C on June 25. Next regular meeting will be by conference call August 15, 2019, 7:30 pm EDT, 6:30 CDT, 4:30 Arizona time.
15. Closing prayer: Pastor Carol Taylor offered the closing prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 am EST.

Judy Campbell

Secretary