BOT Meeting Minutes April 10, 2019

<u>Present</u>: Richard Bennett, Tom Fredenburg, Anne Drewniak, Kelly Mahony, Gary Schroeder, Ann Hoey, Michael Leuchtenberger, Ex Officio

Others in Attendance: Lyn Marshall, Lea Smith and Jack Wakelin Meeting commenced at 6:30 pm with Call to Order by Dick Bennett and Opening Reading by Tom Fredenburg.

Minutes Review: The minutes of March 13, 2019 were reviewed. A wording error was noted, and the statement about the auction not being held was corrected to indicate that the auction was in jeopardy. Gary moved to accept the amended minutes, Kelly seconded and the amended minutes were approved unanimously.

New Business:

Gary expressed thanks to Belinda Nerl for her coordination of the NNE District Meeting. <u>Calendar Events</u>: Michael noted the following upcoming events: the Seder on April 13; the Meditation Retreat on April 27; Family Promise the last week of April and the Service Auction on June 9.

Meeting with Kimberly Wootan: The Board introduced themselves to Kimberly Wootan, a community minister chaplain at Havenwood-Heritage Heights who is seeking affiliation with our church. Kimberly gave more information about her background and work at Havenwood. Tom moved to authorize Michael to develop a covenant with Kimberly establishing her as an affiliate community minister. Kelly seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Annual Meeting Moderator: Anne Zinkin has resigned as Moderator. There is a need for Moderator Pro Tem for the meeting in May. Dick will investigate possibilities.

By-Laws Changes: Dick moved that we change the date of the annual meeting to no later than the first Sunday in June. Gary seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Gary moved that we change the term of service for board trustees from three to four years. Dick seconded the motion. The motion was passed by a 5 to 1 vote. Both of these amendments will appear as separate articles on the warrant.

<u>Structural Repairs:</u> Jack Wakelin presented a proposed warrant article asking for a withdrawal of up to \$30,000 from the endowment fund for work on beams and posts

affecting Fellowship Hall. He presented a summary of the structural improvements recommended as well as a schematic. Discussion centered on the timing of the project and the concern about taking money from the endowment fund. Dick moved that the Board add Article 8 on the warrant authorizing the withdrawal of up to \$30,000 from the endowment fund for structural repairs. Gary seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

More By-Laws Changes: Tom shared the recommendations he had for changing some of the by-laws. He will write a warrant article incorporating these proposals.

<u>Food Sign-up for Annual Meeting:</u> Dick passed around a sign-up sheet for food needed at the Annual Meeting.

<u>Board Dinner for Auction</u>: The Board will offer a dinner on October 26, 2019 as a donated auction item.

Operations Update & Feedback:

- 1. Kathie's 20th anniversary as a staff member is this week.
- 2. Kevin Clark is living in the woods behind the church.
- 3. The targeted appeal for Rooms 8 & 9 has raised \$2400 so far.
- 4. The stewardship campaign has not yielded enough funds thus far to sustain our current operations.
- 5. The church will welcome nine new members on Sunday.
- 6. The auction will be held on June 9. Michael is coordinating this in conjunction with our final church service and picnic. The Board needs to volunteer for this event.

Job Jotters:

Dick: look into finding a Moderator Pro Tem.

Dick: rewrite by-laws changes for warrant articles.

Tom: write a warrant article that encompasses other by-laws changes.

Everyone: remember snacks for Annual Meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Ann Hoey Secretary