MINUTES OF COTT BOD MEETING 2/21/23

Preparing to Do Our Work

 Inspiration and Checkin In

 Reading of Agreements

 Quorum Present—only member not in attendance was Marrie Neumer

Barb Crabtree

 To allow Barb to sign off from Zoom, we heard from her at the top of the meeting. Here are the highlights.

* Income in January was above budget even though it was a 5 Sunday month
* Columbarium sale–look at most recent due to re-coding
* $7000 expense from contingency fund for lift station expense
* New budget structure involving love offering -$4,705 and Kampala Scholarship-$3000
* Expenses just about on budget
* Savings account has been used up by music funds, needs to be replenished,

Our Role as a Working Board

 We received and approved

* Board Minutes from January
* Treasurers Reports from January
* Building and Grounds from January
* Pastor’s Report from January

 Motion made by Jim LaChapelleand seconded by Bonnie Alberti.. Vote passed.

 We received a report from Finance Team. Highlights:

* Need to liquidate Ameriprise and put in contingency fund
* Lisa Garcia accepted to Finance committee (motion by Jesse Clayton, second by Richard Henry, vote passed)
* $125K NY Life, $125K Community Foundation-we may want to move all to NY Life as it guarantees principal–decide before July
* Lillie to talk to Barb about the amounts and we still have $ from Cummings house
* Audits are good and complete

 Lillie informed us about our hosting denominational events: Board of Pensions April 28-30. We provide one meal. Reverend Wes Mullins will preach on Sunday. The entire Board of Pensions will be invited to worship so we can bless them on 4/30. June 2-4 LEAD retreat will be hosted here. We will need to offer housing and will need to feed them. June 4 will be Lay Sunday. Lillie told us more about the Memorial Garden dedication. Representatives from ALSO, Project Pride, UCC, Equality Florida, Rabbi Elaine Clickman, at least six transgender people (including Jules) will be attending. A sculptor will donate a sculpture and will attend. Rabbi Glickman will talk about the stones. Renee Gilmore from ABC 7 will attend. We will need police presence. Jim Lachapelle moves and Richard Henry seconds to accept the sculpture.

Our Role as a Strategic Board

* Move to make Bonnie Alberti the liaison to the Security/Safety Team passed.
* 40th Anniversary Steering Committee–Janalee has plenty of volunteers for History. Need someone to go through pictures. Kickoff will be April. Gala: 14 committee members to sign up for subcommittees soon. Color for the event is red. The tent quote can be found in CCB Steering Committee group.
* Trivia–June 10th–Jim and Lillie will meet.
* May need a capital campaign for courtyard covering. We need more storage room…maybe portables could be used?

Our Role as a Governing Body

* No update on American Relief Funds yet

Outstanding Items

* Life station electricity not to code, not grounded
* Finance team recommends money to fix come from Cummins house
* Jim moves and Janalee seconds, motion passed

Leaving to Serve

* Manatee Pride will help fund ALSO Manatee Center, we should be a sponsor. Lillie will follow up.

Richard moved to adjourn the meeting and Jesse seconded it. Vote passed.

Respectfully submitted by Debby Frye 3/16/23.