

CARING FELLOWSHIP COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, April 9, 2018

Present: Patty Lewis, Bonnie Black, Steve Dowd, Pat Frey, Carol Beery, Pastor Rachel Schwab and Gail Havens

Pat Frey and Carol Beery approved the February 5, 2018 meeting minutes. (Council did not meet in March 2018.)

It was verified with those attending that they had received their letter regarding the upcoming reduction in church office hours starting this June.

UCC Homes Helping Hands Dinner & Silent Auction – May 5, 2018: A \$150.00 gift card for the American Music Theater was purchased as our donation to the silent auction. The gift card is valid for ten years and can be towards show tickets, at the gift shop or concession stand. A thank you letter for our donation was received from UCC Homes Special Events coordinator Victoria Velez.

Follow-up on REACH's proposal for upgrading the church's kitchen: Caring Fellowship had voted no on the proposal at our February 5 meeting. Property Management also voted no on the proposal at their February 28 meeting. Since both councils had voted no, there was no need to bring the proposal to Consistory. Wally Eckman, chair of Property sent an email to Jason Reed with REACH on March 1 advising him of the church's decision.

Church Picnic – August 26, 2018: A discussion was held as to what type of meat council wanted to provide for the picnic. It was decided we would again approach The County Butcher about chicken barbecue. Since The County Butcher is not open on Sundays, we have to make a special request. Council will check with them closer to August. The owner has accommodated us in the past.

Visiting Pastor Rachel gave updates on several members with health issues. Gay Fry is home after being in HealthSouth. Marguerite Summar was temporarily in the Sarah Todd Home and has decided to stay on a permanent basis. The chaplain at Todd also referred a Joan Hoch to Rachel. Joan was a member of the Fourth UCC church in Harrisburg which closed years ago. Rachel was able to track down Joan's daughter who lives in Carlisle and get her ok to visit her mother who is in the Alzheimer's wing.

Gail Havens' term as council chair and on Consistory will be ending in May. She will continue to stay on council. Bonnie Black will be taking over as council chair. Karen Byers has been nominated as an Elder and will be joining the council as the Consistory rep in June.

Next Meeting: Monday May 7, 2018 at 6:30 PM in Fellowship Hall

Respectfully submitted,
Gail Havens
Caring Fellowship Council Chair