

Board and Committee Reports to Governing Board

Nov/Dec 2021

Board of Faith in Action

Submitted by Jackie Riffice

HIGHLIGHTS

- The Board of Faith in Action provided a \$500 sponsorship grant to support the 2022 YouMatter2 Juneteenth event. In addition, we approved \$250 seed money for the Community Engagement budget to enhance FCC's presence at the Juneteenth event.
- At the request of GB Chair Anna Carvalho, we reached out to other boards and committees to seek their input, support, and assistance in supporting the Angel Giving event. Some boards responded and Youth Ministries is anxious to support us.
- A Habitat for Humanity work event is scheduled from 8-3pm on Dec 4, 2021 in Park Forest. The site has been deemed safe for navigation and 30 volunteers ages 16 and up are requested. FIA approved funds to provide lunches for the volunteers and Habitat staff.
- The next Stock Up Sunday will be Dec 5, 2021. Pasta and sauces are requested. Ann Jackson will have baskets in the lobby.
- Angel Tree Giving Update: We will be angels for 60 individuals from Bethel. Robin Futrell will provide a list of 60 people; Pamela and Stephanie will compile a list of crafts/art supplies and games. This will be a touchless event and all gifts will be collected on Dec 19.
- On November 14th Jackie will give a Mission Minute (or longer) to update the congregation on all the FIA projects.

HOPES

- There are 3 hands-on efforts that we hope will offer multi-generational interest to congregants – Habitat for Humanity, Angel Giving, and food pantry collection.
- We will look for ways to lean into the Appreciative Inquiry learnings and engage with other boards and committees to multiply the reach of what we do without adding to the burden of any volunteer group.

Board of Worship & Arts

Submitted by Donica Van Voorhees

HIGHLIGHTS

- Board of W&Arts recommended that 2 Christmas Eve services be held this year, one geared toward families at 5PM and one at 10PM.
- Celebrated Katie's announcement that an interim organist has been hired.
- Discussed ideas for a project on how to appreciate and include diversity in our worship services beyond music.

HOPES

- That we continue to pray for the search committee for a new music minister.
- To choose a project to focus on at our next meeting on December 13.

Finance Committee

Submitted by Bob Norby

HIGHLIGHTS

- Developed assignments and generated plans for FCC 2022 Budget prep
- Reviewed recent actions to Hendrickson Fund investments

- Discussed Q1 2022 planning for FCC financial audit

HOPES

- Able to stay on plan for budget prep
- Strong Stewardship support by congregation
- COVID goes away soon

Personnel Committee

Submitted by Michael Rogers

HIGHLIGHTS

- Bob Callahan celebrates his 8th anniversary at FCC on 11/25/21
- Our attorney is reviewing the proposed Non-Disparagement Clause
- An Interim Organist candidate will audition in November
- The Director of Music Ministry Job Description has been posted far and wide and a search committee has been formed for candidate interviews and auditions
- Interviews for Director of Music Ministry candidates will be held before the end of the year with auditions scheduled for January
- We will look at and discuss a new way forward for staffing in December in preparation for budget recommendations
- There have been no applications for the Nursery Leader or workers
- The Committee agreed to move future meetings to a 7:00 pm start time
- The December meeting will be on Tuesday, December 14th

HOPES

- The Committee hopes to choose a Director of Music Ministry in January
- The Committee hopes to have budget recommendations completed in our December meeting
- Hopefully infants will be approved for the Covid vaccine and we can restart the search for Nursery Leader and workers

Properties Committee

Submitted by Jamie Ford

HIGHLIGHTS

- Preschool Hallway painted
- Updated outdoor lighting for Christmas season
- Created wish list for Christmas décor for 2022
- CH grounds scraped and grass seed/hay laid
- McAfee Garden cleaned up and new plants put in
- Pond in McAfee Garden repaired
- Fall Clean-up of Church and Community House grounds
- Plexi-glass wall removed from Chancel
- In process of having flat roof over Flower Room repaired

HOPES

- Prepare 3–5-year plan for reserve study projects
- Repairs on flat roof over nursery
- Update outdoor landscape lighting
- Update/install electric on outside of Community House
- Update/install electric on outside of Church Building along Travers Rd.
- Plant trees at Community House

Did not meet / No Report

- Board of Congregational Connections
- Nominating Committee