

TUMC Board Minutes  
5/28/2023

Present: LaVonne Meyer, Margie Richcreek, Antonio Byrd, Blaine Proctor, Amy Christiansen, Suzanne Fischer, Rudy Breland Susan Grotewold, Karen Mitchell, Tino Herrera

Absent: Roger Taylor, Tiago Donato

Guest: Kay Salsbury

Blaine Proctor, substituting for Roger Taylor, opened the meeting at 12:01 and asked Pastor Tino to lead the group in prayer.

Blaine thanked Margie for her service and leadership on the Justice Task Force. The group responded with applause.

**OLD BUSINESS**

According to Pastor Tino, the first big summer activity will be Trinity's **Church Block Party** which will be an early evening event on Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup>. Tino asked for ideas and volunteers. At least one tent would be needed for activities on the parking lot. Food and music will be the two main issues. Margie Richcreek and Suzanne Fischer volunteered to help.

The **Finance Report** can be found in the reports email.

**Trustee Report** by Roger Taylor

Russ has the air conditioning up and running. He may need to add Freon to the big cooling tower but he is now licensed to handle Freon so he can purchase it and add as needed.

We are obtaining a bid for new flooring in the fellowship hall. There may be a grant we can apply for to get funds for floor replacement. If that isn't feasible, we will go ahead and have the floors waxed.

Our Jobs with Justice tenants are paying \$300.00 more per month starting in May. They have a couple of their national leaders working out of their current space and will cover the additional rent.

**Justice Task Force Report** by Margie Richcreek

- JTF folks participated in the MO Jobs with Justice Faith and Labor Alliance breakfast with the stated purpose of solidarity.
- Several of us will be carrying an initiative petition for the November 2024 ballot issue to increase the minimum wage and provide sick leave for Missourians. There will be a concerted effort to gather signatures at polling places throughout KC on June 20.
- David, Margie, Tamiko Turner, and Victor \_\_\_\_\_ will represent Trinity as Ambassadors for MORE2's "2000X20" the voter education campaign for local control of KCPD.

· Several participated in Stand-Up KC Allies monthly meeting and heard updates and next steps for promoting a Community Benefits Agreement with the Royals if they proceed with plans to build a new stadium in KC.

It has been my honor and privilege to facilitate the Justice Task Force alongside Tex, Clay, L.A., Ed, Dallas, Loren, David, Suzanne, Beth, and several others since 2014 when we started working with our community partners on KC and MO justice issues. I'm anticipating a smooth transition as Trinity's justice ministry becomes part of Mary Allison's responsibilities as full-time staff on June 1.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Pastor Tino suggested that with **each 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday potlucks**, a community service project would follow the meal. The next two potlucks will be in July and October.

Pastor Tino surveyed the Board to see whether there should be a Sunday morning **Christmas Eve service**, an evening service or both. The Board suggested a 6:00 PM service only.

Kay Salsbury reminded the group of the pre-pandemic "**Bingo and BBQ on the Boulevard**" **monthly in June, July, and August** replete with food and Bingo prizes. Karen Mitchell said that the band Whiskey Just After Breakfast has played for the events. She will try to coordinate with local jam group for Bingo on the Boulevard for a more festive event. One suggestion was to try one event in July.

LaVonne Meyer closed our time together with a very thoughtful prayer.

Next board meeting: **Sunday, June 25, 2023**