

Executive Committee meeting 5:15 pm at Congregation Rodfei Zedek
Tuesday, March 2, 2010

Allan Lindrup, Nina Grey, Laura Hollinger, Kyohei Mikawa, Susanna Rudofsky, John Modschiedler, Batsheva Appel, Kent Busse, April Lewton (CTS), Rev. Patricia Scrutchions of St James U. Methodist Church

Laura opened the meeting at 5:20 PM because Elliot Gertel is delayed by an optometrist appointment.

Prayer - Kyohei 5:22

1. February quarterly minutes were approved. (John / Kyohei)
February executive committee minutes were approved. (Allan / Nina)

2. Treasurer's report was accepted. (Nina / Batsheva) Allan explained the items showing on the report. A next step might be to approve a grant to the free medical clinic.

Allan is collecting responses to the delegate designation forms. Some organizations are sending in dues, but these forms are often lagging. We will continue to send email notices according to our best information, and update the web site as appropriate.

3. Committee members are requested to make personal telephone contacts with member organizations before the March 18-19 event that the Council is co-sponsoring with Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago. Nina will distribute an email of talking points so that this call can be an invitation and also a collecting of information. That March event will not be a business meeting of the Council, but will present an opportunity for informal acquaintance building. Allan coordinated this calling tree at the end of tonight's meeting.

There was discussion of using telephone directories, internet information, and other resources in finding and approaching potential faith groups in our geographic area. It remains with all committee members to be alert, and to welcome new participation, and to bring research results to the committee for compilation.

4. The Council especially thanks Nina for her work in organizing the very impressive Winter Quarterly Meeting program.

5. The Council will participate in the 2010 Bud Billiken Parade on August 14, and invite all the member organizations to join in the Council representation. (John / Allan) The Committee approves up to approximately \$150 for a parade banner that the Council can use on a permanent basis when making or hosting presentations and programs. (Batsheva / John) Allan will share a draft banner with the committee.

6. Emily Steward of Citizen Action Illinois has requested the Council to endorse a program working to reduce diesel pollution. In the past, the Council has announced social issues in advance and passed endorsements by two-thirds vote at Council meetings. The committee recognized that some issues require more immediate response; in such cases, the executive committee could word an endorsement by the committee not speaking for the entire Council. In this instance, the executive committee will invite Ms. Steward to make a presentation at the next Council meeting.

7. Kent will close the DriveHQ virtual office which has not improved the Council's functions, and move appropriate materials (archived minutes, bulletins, etc.) to the public web page where they are more easily maintained and accessed. (Allan / Nina) Allan continues to exercise separate backing up of Council financial records. Kent continues to distribute confidential (pre-publication) items such as draft minutes by email to the executive committee.

8. The committee is tentatively planning the Council Annual Meeting for May 27, hoping to hold it again at Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago. All are asked to consider and submit topics for presentation, and to prepare business items for fruitful discussion.

Announcements: Jonathan Friesen's ordination ceremony will be held 2 PM on Sunday at Ellis Avenue Church.

Nina Grey will retire from full-time parish ministry in First Unitarian Church at the end of July 2011.

Chicago Theological Seminary is sponsoring two speakers at Union Church on April 13 & 14, with worship at 7 PM Tuesday. Because of this opportunity, the executive committee will meet at Union Church on April 13.

On Apr 27 at the downtown Gleacher Center of University of Chicago, Rabbi Rachel Mikva will lead a panel discussion on Morality and the Marketplace, with a panel composed of Hon. Abner Mikva, Dr. Eboo Patel, and Prof. William Schweiker.

Noted: CTS President Ellen Hunt is supportive of the interfaith council but unable to attend its Tuesday meetings. Ayanna Johnson and April Lewton will alternate as representatives.

Elliot benediction 6:53 PM

Hyde Park & Kenwood Interfaith Council - Budget for FY ending June 30, 2010

Financial item	FY '10 Budget	Feb.	FY to date
Balance at start of fiscal year	\$ 23,000.00		\$ 23,097.45
Income:			
<i>Memberships</i>	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 245.00	\$ 520.00
<i>Donations</i>	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 1,180.00	\$ 7,893.25
<i>Thanksgiving (mail-gross)</i>	\$ 2,750.00		\$ 1,982.00
<i>Thanksgiving Day (net share)</i>	\$ 1,150.00		\$ 1,125.30
<i>Program Income</i>	\$ 360.00		
<i>Misc. Income</i>	\$ 25.00		
<i>Interest</i>	\$ 200.00	\$ 49.43	\$ 112.02
Total Income:	\$ 17,485.00	\$ 1,474.43	\$ 11,632.57
Opening balance plus income:	\$ 40,485.00		\$ 34,730.02
Expenses:			
<i>Program Expenses</i>	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 849.00
<i>Contributions & Memberships</i>	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 1,125.00
<i>Transfer to HPK Hunger Program</i>	\$ 1,875.00		\$ 1,350.00
<i>Rent</i>			\$ 565.00
<i>Communications</i>	\$ 1,800.00		\$ 1,060.00
<i>Office Supplies, Equipment & Related</i>	\$ 285.00		
<i>Telephone & Internet</i>	\$ 700.00		\$ 256.33
<i>Fund Raising Expenses</i>	\$ 200.00	\$ 454.08	\$ 515.71
<i>Thanksgiving Service Expense</i>	\$ 675.00		\$ 502.00
<i>Miscellaneous</i>	\$ 150.00		\$ 28.49
Expense Total:	\$ 17,485.00	\$ 929.08	\$ 6,251.53
Net Income or Deficit	\$ -	\$ 545.35	\$ 5,381.04
Balance	\$ 23,000.00		\$ 28,478.49

Note: \$10,213.94 plus accrued interest
in CD at Hyde Park Bank

Note 2: From the Thanksgiving contributions received by mail, the expenses related to the Thanksgiving Day Worship Services are deducted, then 90% of the remainder is transferred to HPK Hunger Programs.

Note 3: Starting this fiscal year printing and copying, and also postage, are being allocated to their functional purpose, such as program expenses or fundraising expenses