

Board of Trustees of the Center for Spiritual Living - Seattle
September 24, 2014 6:30 PM

Present: Rick Gage, Kathianne Lewis, Karen Schiller, Sandy Tomlin, Andrea Weatherhead
Absent: Cynthia Clay, Carmin Dalziel, Frank Selden, Carrie Sjaarda
Non-voting Attendees: Chris Carter – Executive Director, Kathy Galvin RScP – Practitioner to the Board

Call to Order

- Meeting called to order by Karen Schiller at 6:35 pm.
- Kathy Galvin opened with prayer.

Committee Reports

Stewardship Committee: A report on stewardship was given by Diane Bell and Rod Hammer. We have 151 confirmed at the dinner so far. We will have a video produced by Sayed Alamy and Michael Ingersoll. The gifts for the pledgers will be a free workshop of some kind given by Rev Kathianne Lewis.

Campus Unification: Andrea Weatherhead and Rod Hammer made a report on the campus unification plan. The next step will be to hire a contractor to help us estimate costs and help us schedule sequencing. The committee will attend the board meeting in October and provide a presentation of progress.

Minutes Approval

Sandy Tomlin moved that the minutes be approved. Rick Gage seconded. Approved unanimously.

Financial Report

Karen Schiller gave the financial report. We ran negative numbers for August. Chris Carter spoke about the year-end projections and attempts to be mindful of keeping expenses in check through the end of the year. Karen brought up the 2015 budget creation. Chris has been working on this with staff. She will have ideas for expense reductions and ideas and strategies for increased revenue as well.

Senior Management Report

Chris Carter gave the senior management report which is attached. She highlighted the Deva Premal event and its success. About 100 welcome bags were picked up by participants.

Board Development Session

Karen Schiller mentioned the Board Development session Friday November 14th. It will be a computer virtual meeting.

Meta Model

Rick Gage reported on the Meta Model. John Brodrick has resigned as team leader and has asked Rick to take on the leadership. Rick would like a co-leader however. He explained Meta Model as an interconnectedness of small groups. It takes several years to migrate into a Meta Model sort of church. There is now a wisdom council for the transition to the Meta Model. Rick will start a leaders' group in the fall. The group took August and September off but will start up again soon. He also said we need to be about the process of identifying leaders.

Abuse and Harassment Policy

Chris Carter raised the issue of creating an abuse and harassment policy for CSL. Chris has been searching for models and templates to work off of. She wants a policy created by the board and placed in our policy manual. Kathianne Lewis suggested we create a policy creation sub-committee. Sandy Tomlin will be on the committee and Chris suggested Rev. Debora Gay would be good to have on this committee as well.

For the next meeting

The October 29th meeting will have a stewardship report, we will have Owen give a presentation on campus unification, targets for attendance, and board responsibilities.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kathianne Lewis.