



CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

## BOARD OF SPIRITUAL FORMATION

### Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 11, 2018

Attendance:

Yes	No		Yes	No	
■		David Astin (2020)		x	Paula Northwood, <i>Staff Liaison</i>
■		Josh Scharback (2019)	■		Seth Patterson, <i>Staff Liaison</i>
■		Becky Dougherty(2020)	■		Jan Rabbers (2018)
	x	Becky Dunn (2018)			
■		Greta Hallberg (2018)	■		Ging Wiandt (2018), <i>Chair</i>
■		John Humphrey (2019)			

GUESTS: none

### *Actions Taken:*

NONE

### *Discussions*

#### Shared Experience

- David offered the opening and closing prayers
- When asked what we do to treat ourselves examples from the group included: exercise, eating, sauna, time with nature, sleep, and alone time with Netflix

#### Liaison Reports

- Seth from the theater committee told us about the staged reading Natural Shocks in Guild Hall on April 20<sup>th</sup> a new play regarding gun violence
- Regarding the Christmas Festival, Becky said she will be in contact soon with Chris H.
- Jan apprised us of the fall program development from the Spiritual Exploration Committee including a series on white privilege, a book study on The Sunflower, Limits and Possibilities, and the continuation of the reflection circles.
- John mentioned exploring immigration as a faith issue workshop
- David will follow up with the Library committee to thank them for their recent displays and new children's area.

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#### Minutes Procedure

Minute-taker submits draft to group within 10 days of meeting; members have 7 days to submit revisions (no response is treated as approval).

If any revisions, minute-taker forwards revised draft to group within 3 days for electronic approval; members have 2 days to respond (no response is treated as approval).

Minute-taker submits approved minutes in Microsoft Word format to the Ministry Assistant for Programs (Doug Freeman, dougf@plymouth.org) upon approval.

**Nominations for the next SF board**

- Henry Bubula
- Johanna Schussler
- Stacy Yoakiem

Need 2 more nominees

**Sunday Morning Schedule Change**

- Seth reports there have been mostly positive comments, and surveying continues.
- There was concern about the congregation’s knowledge of the ability of the two boards to change the service without a vote from the congregation, recognizing that feedback IS a vote. Perhaps the congregational needs clarification on this.

**160<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration**

- Church dance and start of silent auction May 19<sup>th</sup>
- Youth Sunday, activities in the parking lot, bands with links to the church, bounce houses, food trucks, historical display, and continuation of the silent auction.
- There was much discussion but no resolution on how to handle the welcoming atmosphere of an outdoor celebration with the cost of the food trucks if people from the community were to join in.

**Annual Reports**

- Please have them prepared by June 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Ging will email Liaisons the forms to record which actions were taken by committees

**Final Thoughts**

- Becky thought it would be nice if we sponsored cookies one day for fellowship through community life. The group agreed.

**Next Meeting**

May 9th, 630pm

*Respectfully submitted,*  
*Joshua Scharback, secretary*

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