

CONSISTORY MEETING SYNOPSIS

January 12, 2010

Present: The Rev. Dr. Charles Wiessner; Elders: Chris Forte, Ron Hamm, Bill Kalsbeek, Ed Matson; Deacons: Brooke Johnson, Mike Shafer; Guest: Pastor Elie Hernandez; and Clerk: Liz White. Excused: Elder David Francis

Motions passed during the meeting:

Approval of agenda; approval of December minutes; acceptance of treasurer's report; denial of request from individual wanting to have the organ moved and replaced for a wedding in the sanctuary; and adjournment.

Consistory email actions

None to report.

Items of note

ICC is holding a Servant's Retreat on the same Saturday (January 23) as the FRCC Consistory Retreat. They are having a brunch prepared by one of their members and invited FRCC to fellowship with them. A small group will also spend a short time sharing thoughts with Consistory.

Pastor Elie requested that ICC be allowed to use the bulletin board leading to the Fellowship room for their announcements and information. Consistory was OK with this because there is not much information there and it can easily be moved elsewhere. He said their congregation will be fasting and praying for 21 days trying to discern what God is calling them to do. He wanted prayers that the Lord would help open mind and spirit. They were very grateful for the December mission donation and the toys given by FRCC.

It was necessary to use some of the reserve funds to complete the year.

From Building & Grounds - A committee has been identified to work on plans for a prayer garden.

From Education - Pastor Chuck is planning an evening Lenten study on Jeremiah for Feb. 18, 25, March 11, 18, and 25. If there is enough interest, he will do a daytime session, too. Spring curriculum changes will have the High School class studying sacred music and its association with the church. David Francis will give presentations on church architecture to the Young Adult class.

From Fellowship - After the February monthly luncheon, there will be a presentation by a guest speaker in the sanctuary. Supervised activities will be available for the children. Planning for 2010 activities will be at a meeting January 30.

From Mission - The January mission will be a combination to support two RCA missionaries in Eastern Europe. February's mission will be split between the Raleigh Rescue Mission and the NC Council of Churches.

From Outreach, Retention, & Communications - A Lenten booklet is planned similar to the one for Advent. Contributions are needed by the end of January. A photo board is being planned with pictures to be taken outside in the Spring. A volunteer has been found to keep the Family and Friends Directory updated. Updates can be given to Chris Forte.

From Stewardship - No report.

From Worship - An Ash Wednesday service is being planned this year. Communion for the beginning of Lent will be served February 21.