

Center for Spiritual Living, Olympia  
Council Meeting Minutes  
Monday, May the 4<sup>th</sup> (be with you), 2020  
Via Zoom Conferencing

Present: Rev. David Robinson, Buffie Finkel, Karyn Lindberg, Jean Hill-Miller, Larry Gilliam, Teri Echterling, and Doug Pape  
Practitioner: Marlisa Johnson, RScP  
Scribe: Rev. Carrie Masters

The meeting, held virtually using Zoom Conferencing, was called to order by President, Buffie Finkel at 6:35 p.m.

An opening prayer was given by Marlisa and a roundtable check-in followed.

Approval of minutes from the meeting on 4/20/2020 – Karyn Lindberg motioned to approve the minutes, Teri Echterling seconded, and the motion was carried.

**Old Business:**

- Status of Vision/Mission Statement Team – Rev. David

The team created the following Mission/Vision statement which will be shared for the next two weeks in the ENews and officially presented at the community/annual meeting on May 17<sup>th</sup>. The team will consider comments and feedback prior to the community meeting. Those on the Mission/Vision Team are Buffie Finkel, Marlisa Johnson, Teri Echterling, Denny Kautzmann, Ann Aubuchon, Theresa Bielenberg, Janet Therese, Barb Yanagimachi, Susan and Keith Klovee-Smith, Lorrie Chase and Rev. David.

The council approved the presentation of the newly crafted statement at the community/annual meeting for dialogue and approval.

**Our Mission** is to be an open, expanding and welcoming community that learns, shares and lives spiritual principles.

**Our Purpose** is revealing our wholeness and connection with all that is

**Our Vision** is to live as Love in a world of Love.

- CSL Status during COVID - Rev. David –

- We continue to do well. An idea emerged to create a ritual around returning to Nova school which would be a powerful process for all of us, and for the school.
- We have not had results from either of the two loans that we have applied for, however both have contacted us indicating that the applications are in process. Rev. David feels that the additional funds are not required at this time but will serve as backup for any unknowns that may occur in the future.
- Rev. David reminded us that Rev. Liz Mirante will be our guest speaker this Sunday while he takes the weekend off.

- Rev. Carrie has been asked to candidate for a local Center in Southern California but reported that due to the current virtual status, she plans to continue to work for CSL Olympia while managing her duties involved with her ministerial position. Details are not complete yet, so there is time to see how this unfolds. Rev. Carrie also indicates that she will continue to work in total confidentiality.

### **New Business**

- Community Meeting Presentation 5/17 – Rev. David & Buffie
  - Annual Meeting Presentation – There will be a brief PowerPoint presentation that was shown to the Council for which the Council was very appreciative. It was suggested by Buffie that YTD figures with comparison to last year during the first four months be included. It was suggested by Karyn that the Newsletter be included in the “Good Stuff” slide.
  - Gratitude to retired Council Members – Thank you cards and Amazon gift cards were delivered to each retired Council Member. At this meeting they will be acknowledged, and it was suggested that pictures of them be shown.
  - Announcement of new Council members and officers – It was suggested that each council member share their reason for wanting to participate on the Council, what office they hold and what their primary focus is. Pictures of the new council members will also be shown.
  - Vision/Mission/Purpose Presentation
  - Other Business – If anyone has any thoughts about further business that needs to be discussed, please contact Buffie.
  - Buffie and Rev. David will facilitate the Community Meeting.

### **Calendar review**

- 5/7 & 15 - Board Chairs Academy – Board/Executive Relationship – This session has been opened to six people from each organization – for free. Register a few days before. The meeting is from 8:30 to 10:30 AM.
- 5/10 – Guest Speaker – Rev. Liz Mirante
- 5/11 – Finance Team Meeting
- 5/16 – Mission/Vision Team Meeting
- 5/17 – Community/Annual Meeting

### **Parking Lot**

- Update on Tech Soup Software Upgrade – Rev David & Carrie
- Progress on hiring Admin. Asst. – Rev. David
- Identifying a Membership Team Coordinator – Buffie asked if any of the board has thought of someone. Teri suggested we ask the membership at the community meeting. It was also suggested that we honor Caroline Fenn.

Next meeting – May 18th on Zoom – Meeting ID 647-238-9585, Password 761508.

Marlisa offered a closing prayer and the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Rev. Carrie Masters, Scribe