

Center for Spiritual Living
Council Meeting
Monday, August 3rd, 2020 – 7:00-9:00
Zoom ID 647-238-9585 Password 761508

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

Our Purpose is to reveal our wholeness and connection with all that is.

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

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

The meeting, held virtually using Zoom Conferencing, was called to order by President, Buffie Finkel at 7:00 p.m.

An opening prayer was given by Teresa and a roundtable check-in followed answering the question, "How have I been applying and living our Mission, Purpose & Vision Statement?"

Rev. David reported that he received an email from Karyn who is resigning from Council. Thankfully, she will continue to do the newsletter. A replacement Vice President is called for and Teri stepped up to serve in that capacity. We will be holding consciousness for a new Member at Large to step forward and an announcement will go into the eNews this week.

Consent Agenda *These items have (hopefully) been sent to you during the previous week.*

- Approval of minutes from 7/20 – A motion to approve as corrected was made by Jean Hill-Miller, seconded by Teri Echterling. Motion carried.

Resource Report (People & Money)

- SBA Loan update – Rev. David
 - During a phone call with the SBA, Rev. David learned that they required more information which he provided to them. Their approval should come soon.
- Status of Fundraisers – Rev. David
 - In an email exchange Rev. David had with Camille, it was decided to not hold the Holistic Fair this year. We will still be in a healthy place financially. The revised budget was made with the expectation of the Fair not happening.

Decisions to be Made

- Hiring New Admin Assistant – Rev. David. He reported that he, Teri, Buffie, Marlisa & Carrie interviewed Tiffany Merkel, who was recommended to us by Teri. Tiffany seems quite wonderful and very qualified and Rev. David asked for agreement to hire her. After a short discussion, Rev. David made a motion to offer Tiffany the position of Administrative Assistant. Motion seconded by Teri. Motion carried. It was noted that Sandy Dell will continue to update the website and take care of social media.

- Gift for John Mulhall – The Practitioners voted to give John a gift for his service to CSL Olympia and they set aside \$50. John requested a donation be made in his name to the Centers for Spiritual Living Archives. Rev. David made a motion that an additional \$50 be contributed from the community so that a total of \$100 would be gifted to the Archives in John’s name. Motion seconded by Jean Hill-Miller. Motion carried. Rev. David will speak with Rev. Kathy Mastroianni, the Executive Director of the Archives to determine how they will acknowledge this gift from us in John’s name.

Mobilizing Our Mission

- CSL Day of Peace, 9/21 at 1:00 PM, local event? - Rev. David & Buffie
 - Buffie shared details about this event. Rev. David will send an email to Home Office so that we are identified on their website. Rev. David moved we participate in 2020 National Day of Peace through Home Office. Motion seconded by Larry Gilliam. Motion carried.
- Pledge Dinner (9/12) – Rev. David/Buffie
 - After discussion, it was determined it would be safer to meet via Zoom and cancel our reservation with Gwinwood. After further discussion, it was determined that the virtual dinner via zoom, could include “table captains” who can select who they want at their table. Once we have that list, Rev. David can assign breakout rooms for each table. Rev. David will cancel the Gwinwood reservation.
 - We do not have a theme for the pledge drive for this year. In the past, our community gathered to set the theme. After discussion, it was decided to hold a member’s meeting in the next few weeks to allow the theme to emerge. We will invite only current pledgers by email. Rev. David will suggest several dates to choose from.

Calendar review

- 8/10 – Finance Team Meeting

Council Learning Opportunity

- Visioning – Rev. David
 - A visioning process was facilitated by Rev. David.

Parking Lot

- Update on Tech Soup Software Upgrade – Rev David & Carrie
- Identifying a Membership Team Coordinator

Next meeting – August 17th on Zoom (ID 647 238 9585, PW 761508) at 7 p.m.

A closing prayer was given by Teresa, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Rev. Carrie Masters, Scribe