

Community Outreach Ministries 2/7/2024 -- 7 p.m.

Prayer offered by Mitzi Jones.

Absences: Margy Fox, Kathy Gottlieb (excused).

Present: Mitzi Jones, Kim Hoover, Pastor Liz Frey, Linda Drye (recorder), Maggie Ackerman, Lynn Bertram, Carol Crowe, Brad Hollinger, Joe Hunter, Martha Herold.

Business:

- Update: Mitzi Jones is stepping down from COM. Kim Hoover is the new COM facilitator/ team leader.
 - Approved minutes from October 2023---Joe motioned, Brad seconded; Unanimously agreed.
 - Discussion on the Volunteer Fair that was held on 1/28/2024. The majority felt successful. Pastor Liz would like to hold twice yearly.
 - The Lenten funds beneficiary was discussed; 10% of this goes to benevolence with 5% to Community Outreach and 5% to Missions (Lutheran World Relief). The Harrisburg Food Pantry (former Ecumenical) was raised---Kim motioned; Brad seconded; unanimously agreed by committee members.
 - Discussion of future 2024 Q meeting schedule & time. Dates: May 1, August 14 & Oct 9, 2024 (Wednesdays). **May 1 will be moved up to 6:30 pm.** Future discussion on times.
 - Requests from Joe Hunter (CCU) Adopt a Room for \$1,000 for Susquehanna Safe Harbor. Pastor Liz requested \$840 for workbooks for the new ESL ministry. The committee voted to give ESL \$1,000. --Joe motioned & Brad seconded; it was unanimously agreed for these designated fund monies.

 - Discussion was held about Joe Hunter's need for Men's Winter Shelter volunteers for the week of February 18th. He explained they have a full-time intake person but this individual is off Fri/Sat evenings. Volunteer stays 7-10 pm only, except the Fri/Sat nights which is all night.
 - CROSS, Bethesda & Dauphin County Prison Ministry --- all are without representation on COM team.
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The balance of Designated Funds is \$1,750.27.

We all joined in the Lord's Prayer. The meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Submitted,

Linda Drye