



Board of Director's Meeting Minutes
April 25, 2021

In Attendance:

Board of Directors: Rev. Karla Dutey-Amburgey, Moderator; Karen Kendall, Vice-Moderator; Gisselle Blay, Clerk; Debbie Young, Treasurer

Other: Kathy Waite

- I. Meeting was called to order at 12:32 pm by Rev. Karla Dutey-Amburgey
- ii. Opening prayer by Rev. Karla
- III. Review of 3/28/2021 meeting minutes by Gisselle Blay, Clerk
 - a. Motion to accept as written – Debbie Young
 - b. 2nd – Karen Kendall
 - c. Minutes accepted
- IV. Pastor's report given by Rev. Karla
 - a. Motion to accept as written – Debbie Young
 - b. 2nd - Gisselle Blay
 - c. Report accepted
- V. March Financial report given by Debbie Young, Treasurer
 - a. Views on Facebook live stream - 330
 - b. Attendance – 92
 - c. Offering - \$2,202.50
 - d. Expenses - \$1,083.13
 - e. Motion to accept as written – Gisselle Blay
 - f. 2nd – Karen Kendall
 - g. Report accepted
- VI. Outreach report given by Gisselle Blay, Outreach Director
 - a. We are collecting clothes for Jewish Family & Community Services' "Fanny Landwirth Clothes Closet". Donations are being accepted until May 30th. Questions to be addressed to Gisselle.

- b. There has been no response to an email sent out requesting ideas/suggestions from the congregation for outreach opportunities they would like to see us pursue. Betty Adams and Judy Pendleton expressed an interest in helping with the Outreach Committee as able.
 - c. Motion to accept report as written – Debbie Young
 - d. 2nd – Karen Kendall
 - e. Report accepted.
- VII. Old business:
- a. Change in Tithe.ly app for donations – Debbie has changed the donations drop down in Tithe.ly to read “General Fund” or “Outreach”. This will make it easier for people to make general outreach donations.
 - b. Yard sale is on for Saturday, May 1st from 8a-2p. If weather is bad, we will reschedule.
 - c. Jewish Family & Community Services “Sock and Underwear Drive” is under way. Information is included on Facebook, website and the newsletter.
- VIII. New business:
- a. Focus group for mission statement, vision statement, core values and statement of faith – Kathy will lead this group and will be asking a few individuals to help with it. Deadline is December 2021 for the congregational meeting.
 - b. May donation to Hope 4 Veterans – we will take donation in person on either May 15th or 22nd. Betty will check with them for which is best for them.
 - c. May Memorial Day flags on headstones – we will be putting flags on headstones at the national cemetery. More information will follow as we get closer to the date.
 - d. Special offering for Global Justice Institute – we collected \$59 during special offering on Easter Sunday. Unanimous vote to raise that to \$100. Debbie will follow up on where to send the donation.
- IX. Other
- a. We have received \$220 for Outreach. This will put in the Outreach “bucket” in the budget to be used for our monthly outreach donations.
- X. Closing prayer – Karen Kendall
- XI. Adjournment at 1:02 pm

Respectfully submitted by Karen Kendall



Board of Directors' Meeting

March 28, 2021

All Leadership Representatives present. Rev. Karla Dutey-Amburgey, Karen Kendall, Debbie Young, Gisselle King

Meeting called to order at 12:31 pm by Rev. Karla Dutey-Amburgey.

- I. Opening Prayer by Rev. Karla
- II. Approval of minutes from February 28, 2021 meeting. Motion to approve as presented by Deb, 2nd by Karen. **Approved.**
- III. New Business:
 - a. Pastor's report (Rev. Karla)

Rev. Karla read Pastoral Report for March 2021. Reminded everyone to submit prayer requests via chat during services or to text, call or email us when needed. Announced in-person meeting for Easter Service, April 4th with safety measures in place. Motion to accept as presented by Karen, 2nd by Deb. **Accepted.**

- b. Financial report (Deb)

Deb Presented Financial Report for January-February 2021 including attendance numbers, offering received and year to date expenses paid. Motion to accept as presented by Gisselle, 2nd by Karen. **Accepted.**

- c. Outreach Opportunities (Gisselle)

Gisselle reported we collected for and donated 3 Easter baskets for Daniel Family Services to hand out to older teen and young adults as they are taught how to live independently. Next items to be collected will be socks and underwear to donate to Jewish Family and Community Services during April and May followed by school supplies to be distributed to Daniel and Jewish Family and Community Services

It was suggested that we reach out to Jasmyn to see if they also need school supplies. Karen to send out an email asking for suggestions for Outreach opportunities.

- d. Process for donations (Karen)

Suggested Tithing options be updated to state "Outreach" instead of "Daniel" and "Jewish Family Services" and the money used as needed each month for outreach as determined. Deb agreed to make the changes as needed.

- e. Discussion re: focus group to create our Mission Statement, Vision Statement, Core Values and Statement of Faith. (Karen)

Karen offered to send email to members asking for volunteers for Focus Group to create statements as needed.

- f. Yard Sale Date (Karen)

Discussion led to decision that yard sale will be held Saturday, May 1st from 8am-2pm and located at Deb's house. Karen will include information and request for help in email to members.

- g. Other

Leadership Representatives agreed monthly outreach budget for April should be used for the Sock/underwear drive.

New Member's classes will be held Mon, April 19th and Tues, April 20th via Zoom. New Members will be received Sunday April 25th.

IV. Closing Prayer by Karen at 1:21pm

Respectfully submitted: Gisselle King, Clerk

Pastor's Report April 2021:

This may not be a lengthy report as I was in the hospital during the month of April with a bad infection in my finger. Who could have imagined that a small cut could result in an eight day stay in the hospital! Thank you for all of your prayers. I could feel them.

As we come together for another board meeting, I am excited about what we have done and some things we are planning to do. Please remember that every Sunday you can send us your prayer requests via typing it in the chat box. Of course, anytime you have a prayer request please text, call, or email us and we will add it to our prayer list. Don't forget our Check-in & Chat every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month. We have a great group of people who join us for this but would love to have more.

During this month we participated in donating Easter baskets for Daniel Foster Services. Thanks to the few people that contributed to this event. We completed our book study on Mary, the mother of Jesus and will be starting another book study on "The Four Agreements" by Don Miguel Ruiz on May 19th.

No one came forward for our New Member Class so we'll look at offering that again in the future.

As far as Pastor stuff, I was involved in two counseling sessions and continue to reach out to someone post surgery. I have also invested time with Marcia McFee's web page where I am receiving many tools for our worship services. Currently I am involved in a class entitled "The Lynching Tree and The Cross", which will give me two CEUs (Continuing Education Units) of the nine I need every year.

I have been in close contact with other clergy as we look at the possibility of bringing physical church back. Everyone would like to have that happen yesterday, but the most important thing is that we keep the people in our congregation safe. We are finding out that places who choose to come back physically are showing a rise in COVID cases. We have to keep our physical location and how we can safely accommodate everyone in it in mind when determining when it would be safe for us to return. Safety is our priority.

In closing, I continue to want you to know that I count myself so lucky to be your Senior Pastor. I look forward to having our "in person" services back, but in the meantime treasure our online time together. It is time for North Florida MCC to get out there and make our presence known.

**Blessings,
Rev. Karla**



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April 25, 2021, North Florida MCC Financial Report

January – March 2021, Financial Review

The following reflects the attendance, offering and number of individuals that viewed our services on Facebook during this calendar year.

Month	Attendance	Total Services	Total Offering Received	Total views from live streamed Worship Services
January	106	4	\$1,993.95	375
February	92	4	\$1,987.00	437
March	92	4	\$2,202.50	330
TOTAL			\$6,183.45	
AVERAGE PER MONTH			\$2,061.15	

NOTE:

\$220.00 was for Outreach

\$59.00 was for Global Justice



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North Florida MCC Outreach Update April 2021

- Started collecting for Jewish Family and Community Services' Fanny Landwirth Clothes Closet. Accepting donations until May 30th

Specific needs:

Infant socks (boys and girls)
Toddler socks (1T - 5T) (boys and girls)
XS toddler underwear (boys)
XS toddler underwear (girls)
Small girls underwear
Small boys underwear

****Socks and underwear must be new**

Also in need of size 4-7 boys shirts and shorts/pants and girls 5-8 shorts/pants. (these can be gently used/clean)

- No response to email requesting suggestions for more Outreach opportunities/suggestions