

MINUTES FROM STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 4/12/24

The meeting opened with a prayer at 10:05 am.

There was a considered discussion regarding concerns and options for posting the Education Committee's statement on calling for Ceasefire and Lasting Peace in the Middle East. It was agreed that this statement comes from a thoughtful and educated discussion with many PAX members in attendance. Also, there may be some members who do not wish this to be posted on the public face of our website. A followup letter will go out to the members today to ask each to respond whether they would sign on this letter or not. (yes or no) before April 17th. We appreciate the Education Committee's efforts on this letter and their patience as we try to reflect the community's wishes.

The SNDC disbursement process was reviewed again, with clarification made to acknowledge the one-time Steering Committee guidance memo of 2022 was specific only to that year's disbursements. The bi-monthly financial report at the May meeting will offer a picture of the available funds for the next SNDC disbursements.

The Trumpauer Fund, which receives monthly contributions from the PAX community, is still actively promoting anti-racist education opportunities, from film to literature to presentations. The Steering Committee believes an opportunity for an update to the community would be worthy to pursue. Mary will ask the Education Committee for their input.

The campaign to raise capital for a meaningful gift to St. Luke's will begin in May. The request by Fr. John for contributions toward their goal of building an iconostasis will be promoted for about six weeks. We will approach one of our PAX members to take the lead on this specific task.

Thanks to the Browns, Spaulding and Nellie Ohr for the Seder documents they provided the community.

After hybrid liturgy coffees are planned for April 14th (to celebrate Fr. Vincent's 90th birthday) and May 26th (to celebrate Fr. Tuck's 50th anniversary in the priesthood).

Katy Dugarm will chair the SC in the May-Jul cycle. The next SC meeting is May 10th at 10am, EDT.