

MINUTES OF PAX STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

March 8, 2024

The meeting opened at 10:02 with a prayer by Doug.

Mike reviewed the financial report for 1-1-2024 through 2-29-2024. He noted that the disbursements by the SNDC were not reflected in this report as they occurred in March. There was also a move to seek clarification on the donation to the Trumpauer fund. Mary will ask Stephanie Niedringhaus for background and information on the PAX commitment to this fund.

Also noted at this time was the question by the SNDC of guidance for the distribution to specific organizations made by a previous board of Steering Committee members. Mary will contact Barbara Cabrera Holtz for the source of this guidance. This will be addressed in detail at the April meeting of the SC.

Katy spoke to Mary Linda Sara regarding the possibility of a liturgy on Holy Thursday, led by Rabbi Gold. The SC agreed that it is an excellent idea for the future, citing time pressure to coordinate this year's liturgy. A proposal to offer format and scripts for home Seder dinners was made and the SC will collect inputs in the next week.

Discussion of an outreach liturgy with Fr. John of St. Luke's as presider was proposed. Charlie and Shane will be consulted to ask if that is possible or desired by Fr. John.

The McLean Congregations Coalition was addressed to consider if PAX would like to participate. Doug will get more information on

the history and activity of the organization, and ask Bob Merrill for Pastor Gibson's impression if this would be a good fit.

The query into a gift for St. Luke's from PAX was made by Charlie. He relayed that their community hopes to install an iconostasis – full wall- and that a contribution towards that would be appreciated. The actual installation of it may be in the far future, as the total expense exceeds their funds now. Consideration of when to appeal for PAX member contributions and how long to solicit the donations are proposed for the late spring 2024.

The Tech team replied to an outreach concerning their status for all liturgies. Megan responded that they are adequately staffed for now and that all prefer the hybrid liturgies for the in-person experience. Each member is able to conduct zoom only liturgies, which take 2-4 hours of preparation with the meetings, slides and invitations.

The idea of pursuing another survey of members regarding the liturgy format has been deferred. There is a possible request for soliciting ideas of how to acquire more presiders for the hybrid liturgies.

Mike will contact Bob Merrill to see if FBCC's boiler repair is accomplished and if any financial donation would be welcome.

Steering committee minutes will be posted on the website as opposed to distributed by email.

Thanks to Katy for an excellent email to the community on inclusive language and images.

After hybrid mass coffees are planned for March 24th and for April 14th (in celebration of Fr. Vince's 90th birthday.)

The next SC meeting is planned for Apr 12 at 10am EDT.