

Celebration Center for Spiritual Living (CCSL) Board of Directors Monthly Meeting

"We show up with focus and fun to our responsibility of service to CCSL with insight, integrity, courage, and magic."

Board:

Senior Minister: Rev. Kris Alexander

Chair: Miriam Cutelis

Vice Chair: Janine Bilyeu
Treasurer: Ivar Tillotson

Secretary: Rev. Lydia Joy Ayers

Agenda:

- Pray In
- Check In
- Upcoming changes/next steps

Action Items for Next Month's Meeting:

- Rev. Kris to provide answers taken tonight to Rev. Raymont to see if that is a
 possibility
- Irina to reach out to Rev. Sherrie Quander to see if she is interested in part-time ministry with CCSL, what her expectations would be
- Miriam to reach out to Unity to discuss possibility of renting space/costs, and to research other ideas (synagogues, etc)
- Rev. Kris to follow up with Home Office for further information on alternate designations
- Ivar to send 2023 budget to all for review
- Next month Practitioners and Board to meet on 8/15 at 7:30 via Zoom for continued conversation. Rev. Lydia Joy to send reminders.

Parking Lot:

- Miriam to begin posting pictures to Center's social media. Rev. Kris to give access.
- Rev. Kris and Lynn to review updated musician's agreement together
- Read Commitments 2-3, Rev. Lydia Joy to send reminders



- Rev. Kris to follow up with Paul regarding lease and rent. Rev. Kris to attempt to connect with someone who may be familiar with commercial rental law, Janine to provide introduction.
- Ivar to create financial projections for increased rent.
- Rev. Kris to discuss rent and lease situation with sub-tenant.
- Miriam to purchase ice cream for the Ice Cream Social. Rev. Lydia Joy to provide suggestions for non-dairy brands.
- Rev. Lydia Joy to complete minutes from May 2023.
- Rev. Kris and Miriam to set Miriam up with Canva, meet for signage, set up social media access, discuss presentation of decreased income to community
- Rev. Kris to look into additional merch:bags/bumper stickers
- Miriam and Janine to prepare a statement to community regarding decreased income
- Board of Directors Community Tree

In Attendance: Rev. Kris Alexander, Ivar Tillotson, Miriam Cutelis, Janine Bilyeu, Lynn Hollyfield, Rev. Lydia Joy Ayers, Judy Blaise, Jenn Fay, Irina Kurasiewicz, Richard Kurasiewicz, Ed Preston

Call To Order: 1933

Opening Treatment: Rev. Kris Alexander provided the opening treatment at 1933.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion: Second: Discussion: Approved:

Music Director's Report: At 1947, Lynn shared that there are no updates and All Angles is moving along smoothly.

Treasurer's Report: At 1948, Ivar presented the financial report.

Minister's Report: none this meeting.

Other Business:



- Discussion of upcoming changes and possible next steps knowing that Rev. Kris is leaving. Detailed discussion of past work and lines of thinking of the Board previous to tonight's meeting.
- Following several weeks of community town halls led by board, the following were identified as important to the community:
 - Ongoing in person meetings (perhaps once a month if weekly is not possible)
 - Many people said that they do not want to commute to DC
 - o Community does not seem interested in merging with DC
- Possible solutions discussed
 - Working with Rev. Raymont Anderson (suggested at town hall)
 - Will not provide in-person meetings, so this may not work to support community's needs
 - Rev. Raymont does not want a traditional church model
 - Discussed questions posed by Rev. Raymont regarding potential collaboration or merger, notes taken by Rev. Kris
 - Merging with Unity (suggested at town hall)
 - Rev. Kris has spoken with Rev. Russell, this is not a viable option
 - o Dissolving Celebration CSL, distributing assets
 - Sharing space with Unity
 - Allows for in-person meetings, multiple flexible options
 - Could meet at any time (area separate from sanctuary)
 - Rev. Sherrie Quander might be interested in supporting CCSL if they want to continue having a Center, made especially easier if space is shared (per Rev. Russell, she would need to be approached, BIG IF)
 - Become a study group
 - Still part of CSL, holds Celebration name and branding
 - Home Office support
 - No central person necessary
 - Pracs would need licenses held elsewhere (many Centers will do this though, as can Home Office)

Closing Treatment: At 2120, Jenn offered the closing treatment.

Meeting Adjourned: 2121