

**NCNC Council Meeting May 9, 2015**  
Minutes

The May 9th NCNC Council meeting was called to order by the President, Candace Frawley, at 10:00 a.m., at the Hospice of the East Bay. Present were members: Davena Jones, Fiona Klassen, Matt Broadbent, Steve Mevert, Jeannie Hobson, Richard Brabham, Jeff Hopson Eunice Aaron, Barbara Colliander, Kelly Wilson, Candace Frawley, Daniel Ross-Jones, Liz Armstrong, Mike Hill, James Kosko. Conference Minister Ken Iha. Conference Treasurer Tom Clarke. The quorum necessary for 20 members is 11 (51%). A quorum was present.

The minutes of the March 14, 2014 meeting were approved by email and acclamation.

1. Welcome, Agenda Review and Check-in: Led by Candace Frawley

2. Covenantal Support - Personnel Committee Report - Matt Broadbent discussed the new Conference Minister Letter of Call for Diane Weible. There was a conversation about the compensation (salary, medical and other benefits). This is available from Tom Clarke, Treasurer.

Other items:

- a) Diane Weible is seeking a place to live in the Bay Area. **Jeannie Hobson moved, Matt Broadbent seconded to approve a housing allowance for Diane Weible of \$35,000 for 2015. Motion carried.**
- b) Ken Iha sent a letter of resignation to the President of the Council, effective June 14, 2015. **Matt Broadbent moved, Richard Brabham seconded, to accept the resignation. Motion carried.** An exit interview was conducted by Matt Broadbent. Ken Iha shared highlights of his ministry. Members of the Council gave testimony to Ken's work for his time as Interim Conference Minister.
- c) Diane Weible has asked for a quarter time transitional position of Associate Conference Minister in the person of Ken Iha. **Eunice Aaron moved, Daniel Ross-Jones seconded, to accept the draft proposal for the transitional position of Associate Conference Minister, to be filled by Ken Iha, with the expectation that settled conference staff will be in place within a year or sooner. Motion carried.** This position will be temporary, until Diane Weible is able to secure permanent staffing.

2. Covenantal Support - Finance Report. Tom Clarke emailed and presented the Treasurer's Report for March 2015. He also indicated that the AGPT is planning a sit-down dinner at the Annual Gathering for Saturday evening. We need to approve the added expense of \$3900. He indicated that this will be covered by our appropriation of \$8000. **FABC moved, no second needed, to approve this added expenditure of \$3900 for the dinner on Saturday at the Annual Gathering. Motion carried.**

3. Communication - Conference Staff Report. Ken Iha.

**Eunice Aaron moved, Jeannie Hobson seconded, that the Council of the Northern California Nevada Conference of the United Church of Christ authorizes the following persons as additional signers of our bank account: Matthew Broadbent, Kelly Wilson, Diane Weible; and that the Council also authorizes the issuing of a debit card to Diane Weible. Motion carried.**

Ken Iha also reported on the status of the San Francisco Ecumenical House (San Francisco State University). Five denominations have had a chaplain working at the facility, and are part owners of the building. NCNC UCC is part of this non-profit organization that owns the house, and we have not been active financially. We need to decide if we want to continue with the responsibility of owning this property, or if we want to pull out. Ken Iha is investigating further. He will attend the next EC meeting and report back at a future Council meeting. Eunice Aaron is a faculty adviser on campus (this is not a factor in our decision).

4. Board Development and Visioning - Nominating Committee Report. Davena Jones. The slate of nominees for positions on the NCNC Council and Committee on Ministry was presented. More work and recruitment is needed! There was discussion and a request to let Davena Jones and Candace Frawley know of any other nominees. The Council voted on two nominees for Vice-President (Eunice Aaron and Jeannie Hobson). **Eunice Aaron was elected as Council Vice President for a term of one year.** The Council voted on President: **Daniel Ross-Jones moved, Richard Brabham seconded, to elect Matt Broadbent as Council President for a term of one year. Motion carried.**
5. Sustenance - Lunch. Joint working lunch with AGPT and Annual Gathering Update. Jim Peck gave a summary of plans for the Annual Gathering and fielded questions. There are 3 business items (including the nominating committee report). Registration to date is 196. Deadline for registration is May 20th.
6. Creative Transformation - Organically Grown Topics. A Church Day is being planned for October 24 in San Mateo. Details to come later.
7. Closing Reflection and Prayer: Led by Matt Broadbent.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m. The next meeting is June 14th, **after the Annual Gathering at Sonoma State University.**

Submitted by Barbara Colliander