



Regional Board 110318 Summary

The board met with 25 persons present representing 18 different congregations and 4 of our 5 districts. Highlights of business:

- Financial reports were reviewed.
- Ratified the decision of the Executive Committee to receive Pacific Outreach Christian Church as an affiliating congregation. POCC is a Chuukese congregation nesting at Red Rock Christian Church, Boise.
- Ratified the decision of the Executive Committee to give a gift check to Administrative Assistant, Audre Bratcher, on her retirement after 18 years of service in that role.
- Ratified the decision of the Executive Committee's appointment of members at large to the Executive Committee.
- A Regional Ministers report was presented which is posted on line.
- The Board heard reports about program ministries, youth camps, women's events for 2018 and 2019, new church ministries, Commission on Ministry, Anti-Racism Task Force and Trainers.
- Received a written report from the Future Story Team on the progress of the future story – this is posted on line.
- Received the information and formally acted on the exit from the regional congregational affiliation process by Christ Church Portland.
- Voted on the ministerial housing allowance for the Regional Ministers.
- Heard an update about the annual audit—financial materials are to the auditor and the audit should be completed within the next couple weeks. Copies will be available.
- Received a video phone call from our mission partner, Blanca Puma, Executive Director for FEDICE Ecuador. The call was to bring greetings to the board and wish Audre Bratcher a happy retirement.
- Passed a budget for 2019 for the regional church.
- Discussed needs for the buildings to which the regional church holds title and directed the Executive Committee to seek remedies to these needs reflecting the discussion of the board at this meeting with a report to come back to the next two board meetings in February and June of 2019 about progress.
- Meeting ended with board member, Renee Windsor-White, leading a communion meditation and offering a reading from Ephesians chapter 2, followed by celebration of communion and the singing of the folks hymn "They'll Know we are Christians by our Love."
- Following the meeting, we adjourned to the fellowship area of Portland First Christian Church to enjoy a celebration of the ministry of Audre Bratcher.

NEXT MEETING: February 2, 2019