

Meeting Notes for 9 April 2017

Attendees: Mary Armstrong (St. Luke's), Robert Armstrong (St. Luke's), Jennifer Crow (St. Luke's), Martha Donnelly (Presentation), Nino Erbo (UUFD), Kim Glaser (Resurrection), Sue Hattel (St. Luke's), Sister Joan Lickteig (Presentation), Mary McDermott (Resurrection), Father Jack Paisley (Resurrection), Mary Purdy (St. Luke's/DDCO), Craig Reber (UUFD), Barb Ressler (Presentation), R.R.S. Stewart (St. Luke's / UUFD), Terry Stewart (St. Luke's), Linda Stovall (Westminster), Tom Stovall, (Westminster), Dave Theis (St. John's Lutheran,DDCO), Paul Uzel (Westminster), Jane Worm (First Congregational)

Convenor: Mary Armstrong began the meeting at 3:01pm

Recorder for this meeting: R.R.S. Stewart

March minutes approved as submitted.

Review of Sustainable Dubuque Grant for Reusable Bags

Paul Schultz, Craig Reber and Barb Ressler wrote a Sustainable Dubuque Grant for Reusable Bags that was submitted on April 1st. Follow-Up Questions:

- the participating congregations
- the number of bags requested
- the type of bag(s) and color(s)
- the printing on the bags
- the Dubuque screen printer
- each congregation's plan on how to implement their part in the project

Plane Arts will charge \$4/bag for printing 250 bags. Attendees suggested the R.R.S. check with Advanced Design, J.M.J. and Envision for their bag prices for 1000 bags. Recommendation that one side of the bag have the IIPL logo and the other side have the logos of all the participating congregations so we only have to pay for two screens. Agreed to by consensus.

Barb reported that Paul thought we will get at least \$1,500 out of \$2,500 requested in the grant and we will know by 15 May. Congregations are asked to e-mail R.R.S. how many bags they think they will want and their logos by the May Meeting. After we know how much we getting from the Grant and how much 1000 bags will cost (or more if the amount requested from each congregation comes to more), we will discuss again at May's meeting how much the suggested donation for bags will be to cover whatever amount the grant doesn't. Our grant includes connection to a traditionally unengaged or marginalized population: Twenty percent of the grant purchased bags are proposed to be offered at no charge at the Dubuque Food Pantry, Dubuque Rescue Mission Stores, and the Dubuque Farmers Market to customers purchasing SNAP eligible foods with EBT card dollars.

We also need to ask if we get an initial order how long it would take to get another order.

Summer Sustainability Fair 29 July from 11am to 3pm. Mary can put together materials, but won't be able to be at the table. Jane, Craig, Martha and Mary Jo volunteered and Mary will work out shifts with them closer to the time.

Other discussion: Please help Iowa Interfaith Power & Light win USA Today's Community Thrives grant contest by voting for our video. We are hoping to win the grant to fund our newest program, The Good Life Redefined to be able to make it freely available to all in Iowa. The Good Life Redefined is Iowa IPL's newest program that examines how our stuff is getting in the way of what matters most – our relationships with each other and the earth. Watch the video on our webpage to see how we can create more meaningful and joyful lives that are easier on the planet. <http://iowaip.org/act/good-life-redefined>

Congregational Covenants:

Church of the Resurrection, October 2016
Dubuque Area Congregations United, December 216
First Congregational United Church of Christ, October 2016
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, in process
Saint John's Lutheran Church, October 2016
Saint Luke's Methodist Church, November/December 2016
Sisters of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, November 2016
Sisters of Saint Francis, November 2016
Westminster Presbyterian Church, Have sent form & Check (March 2017)

Green Assessments:

First Congregational United Church of Christ
Saint John's Lutheran Church
Saint Luke's Methodist Church,

Check in on Green Team activity

St. Luke's - Mikweed Seed Ball making event to help save the Monarch butterflies, Saturday 15 April from 9:30 to 11am; will be given out at Earth Sunday service 23 April. Growing plants at mission greenhouse to give to Wading Pool Gardeners at Garden Fair 6 May 9:30 to 11:30.
Climate March Saturday 28 April 3-5pm at Flatiron park.

Meeting adjourned at 4:40pm.
Respectfully submitted R.R.S. Stewart

Congregations represented by attendees to at least one IIPL Dub Chapter meetings since May 2016 or the Green Team Training are:

Anawim Community	Church of the Resurrection,
Dubuque Area Congregations United,	Dubuque Friends Worship Group
First Congregational United Church of Christ,	Gloria Dei,
Grandview United Methodist,	GreenIowa Americrop
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church,	Holy Spirit Parish,
Hope Church,	Journey Assembly,
Saint Anthony,	Saint John's Lutheran Church,
Saint Luke's Methodist Church,	Saint Joseph the Worker,
Saint Joseph Key West,	
Saint Michael's Wheaton (Sisters of Saint Francis in Wheaton, Illinois)	
Saint Raphael Cathedral,	Sinsinawa Dominicans
Sisters of Christian Charity,	
Sisters of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary,	
Sisters of Saint Francis,	Shalom Spirituality Center
Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Dubuque,	
Wahlert Catholic High School	Westminster Presbyterian Church

2017 Meeting Sign-up

Date	Location	Contact
21 May	Westminster	Tom Stovall
11 June	Resurrection	Mary McDermott & Kim Glaser
9 July	First Congregational	Jane Worm
13 August		
10 September	Holy Trinity Lutheran	Carrie Lohrmann
8 October	Westminster	Tom Stovall
12 November		
10 December		