

SJC MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 3, 2022

Next meeting will be Thurs., Dec. 1 at 7:00 pm on the new zoom link.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84105829136>

Attendees: Betty Gilson, Sonia D'Alarcao, Janet Dye, Laurie Lessner, Rachel Tedesco, Lisa Troy

1. Check in
2. Bank balance is \$4,233.11. Of this \$1,255.82 is for *Read to Me, Father* and \$131.00 is for RE scholarships.
3. Indigenous Peoples Program in November
 - a. Progress on Land Statement - Lisa T. is trying to get in touch with Joyce Rain Anderson but hasn't been successful. Susan sent out an email about a person active in the Mashpee nation and we may be able to get in touch with her. There was an article in UU World 9/2021
 - b. Attend Pow Wow at BSU Kelly Gym from 12:00 – 2:00 - we'll try to get a good crowd after coffee hour and all walk over.
4. Narcan training
 - a. BAMSI will provide Overdose Prevention and Narcan training on January 29th, 2023. - Betty's going to send a message to BCCR about the training.
 - b. It will be at 12 noon following the Morning Worship Service
5. Plans for GAYT (Guest at Your Table/UUSC) service on Nov. 27
 - a. Betty and Lisa Troy are working on this service. - They have lots of ideas and now have to pare it down. Hope, Courage and Action is the theme.
 - b. Will include information on this year's Guests. - A couple videos will be shown.
6. BLM film series
 - a. Nov. film will be a Native American documentary *gather*. BCCR is putting it in their notices as well. *Gather* follows attempts by Native Americans to reclaim the foodways of their ancestors. The documentary opens with a quote from Crazy Horse:
"The Red Nation shall rise again and it shall be a blessing for a sick world; a world filled with broken promises, selfishness and separations; a world longing for light again."
It can be found on Prime for \$3.99 and on Netflix free for members.
Netflix : <https://gather.film/>
Here is the link for the meeting.
<https://uuma.zoom.us/j/8261399470>
 - b. Probably should not have a film in December because of full church schedule. But still need a Jan. suggestion. Perhaps Asian or Latinx emphasis.
**Janet's thinking of having the viewing at someone's house and it would be more comfortable and inviting. Janet offered her home and so did Laurie. Sonia commented that she doesn't think it's meeting our SJ goals because the same people are coming and there are no new viewpoints. What are we learning? We all agreed to end the series.

We're going to do a section in the Bridging for BLM / marginalized groups film and book recommendations and for the Dock Bracy Center* programs.

*Dock C. Bracy Center for Human Reconciliation (website: <https://www.dcbcenter.org/>)

7. Plate selections
 - a. Nov. will be GAYT
 - b. Dec. need suggestions. Perhaps should also include a Mitten Tree or similar gift project. RE is doing the early intervention program for the kids. There are so many organizations, it's hard to narrow down. Sonia said the library collected for the South Shore Foster Closet
 - c. Jan. suggestions - Sonia suggested the COPE Center, the group doing the Narcan training with BAMSI. ([Substance Use Disorder Services - BAMSI](#))
 - d. Feb. - MASC (Mass. Against Solitary Confinement) will have a service in Feb. led by UU MASS ACTION featuring MASC.
8. MainSpring and Evelyn House lunches will continue with the same protocol. They will be prepared on Thurs., Dec. 1.
9. SJC will write a \$100 check to Father Bill's for their Thanksgiving drive.
10. Green Sanctuary plans: The Green Sanctuary Committee is currently on hiatus, continuing "housekeeping" tasks, but tabling new business and meetings until next year. We congratulate them for their self-care in scaling back, though they are still very active.
11. Peace Committee will be working on plans for a winter program, perhaps a meditation.
12. Welcoming Congregation Committee plans:
 - a. Collection for the Trevor Project - Need to find out how much was raised at the Oct. 9th worship service.
 - b. Discussed possibility of doing a regular LGBTQ+ plate collection each June. A June Pride service is now scheduled for June 11th, 2023.
13. Report from Rev. Rachel
 - a. Juneteenth 2023 - May be held on the church grounds or at the middle school. Lots of planning going on.
14. Other business

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