

NORTHEAST JURISDICTION COMMISSION
ON ARCHIVES AND HISTORY
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
OCTOBER 30, 2020

ZOOM:

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Present: Joe DiPaolo, Earle Baker, Phil Lawton, Don DeGroat, Janice and Harold Ulmer, Barb Duffin, Janet Mills, Betsy Mowry, Ken Jones and Kathy Hanko

President Joe DiPaolo called the meeting to order at 10:03.

Don offered the opening prayer.

The directive from the Council of Bishops is that the current officers serve for 1 more year. There will be elections next year.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved.

REPORTS: The Newsletter Editor, Janice said that address changes were down to two after the last newsletter. She suggests that there not be a Fall letter this year. The next one will be in February and will include information about the next annual meeting.

Treasurer's report: The checking account balance is a little over \$5,000. All conference askings have been paid except Eastern Pa. Joe will check with that conference. The Audit report was received. Don and his committee were thanked for their service.

Archivist report: Barb said that most of the Conference Archivists are working from home with limited hours. The Barratt's Chapel renovations are complete. It will be open now on Wednesdays or by appointment only.

Annual Meeting: The 2021 meeting is scheduled for May 11-13, 2021. The 2020 meeting was postponed and the Upper New York Conference has graciously agreed to host it. After discussion the decision was made to have the meeting virtually. It was suggested that there be a business meeting and as well as presentations. Joe and Earle volunteered to help organize the plans and report back in a month. The members were directed to check with their Conference chairs for suggestions of presenters. Janice will send a save-the-date postcard to members when plans are finalized.

GCAH is in the process of deciding on a new General Secretary. Fred Day is retiring at the end of the year. There may also be a reduction in staff at the Drew Archives due to budgetary constraints. There was discussion regarding the future of the Archives and History Commission.

Nominations were made for new officers and is now on hold. President: Earle Baker; Vice President: Brand Eaton; Secretary: Matt Loyer; Treasurer: Phil Lawton; Archivist: Barb Duffin; Bulletin Editor: Janice Ulmer; At-Large members: Don Degroat and Leslie Rayman. 20 other at-large members will be nominated from the whole membership.

The tentative plan for the 2022 Annual Meeting is for Upper New York to host. Greater New Jersey is unable to host in 2022. Joe will check to see if Susquehanna is willing to host in 2023.

Discussion involved a need for diversity in leadership, updating Methodist history to reflect the reasons behind the happenings and the truth of the times as we work to dismantle racism.

Meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by:

Kathy Hanko