

WAM Minutes from 10.14.21 Zoom Meeting

Members present: Hans Peterson, Emily Heilman, Sara and Jim Nelson, Portia Brandsoy, Jenny Tillmann, Louis Bedard, Rachel Stearns, Ruth Hamlow

Check in: People shared what has been connecting with them, specifically at worship. Subjects included music, scripture, sermon, Blessing of Sara Shorter, Milestones, connecting with others, friendships.

Ordination of Hans Peterson will be held at 2:00 PM at Hope Lutheran Church in Jordan on Saturday, Oct. 23. Bishop Dee Peterson will be presiding (and coming to ROH on Oct. 24 as well). So far, Portia and Dale Brandsoy, Jenny Tillmann and Nan Cray are considering going. The consensus was to mention to ROH community via Facebook (Emily?) and rolling announcements and Purpose Sightings (Jim) that ROH folks can meet at 12:30 in the HEC parking lot to coordinate car-pooling or caravanning.

Confirmation Sunday will be Oct. 31. We have 3 students being confirmed. Arlyn has agreed to be our photographer. Jim and Hans will be working on a gift for the students. Rachel will provide evergreen branches. We will keep the Vuvuzela and head lamp traditions, but not the pot-luck.

Installation of Hans Peterson will be held on a date agreed upon between Steve Cook and Hans. Dates being considered are Nov. 28 or Dec. 5. The group decided having donuts and coffee would suffice for this event as we are trying for a larger meal at Riverpallooza.

Riverpallooza will be Sunday Nov. 21. We discussed having food at this event and Portia is going to coordinate with Trisha Paulsen and make a decision about it. River Table has decided to use the "Vote to approve" method of electing members of the River Table. We want to welcome new members at this event and Hans is working on that. Brian Tillmann has agreed to create a financial stewardship report. Hans is reaching out to leaders of other tables to give a brief report for that. We discussed the importance of being transparent and allowing time for all tables to present information and to have an uninterrupted introduction of new members.

Improvements to our Video and streaming and sound equipment were discussed. Emily and Hans and Jim are working on creating a proposal for the River Table to consider.

Pulpit Exchange. Hans is in conversation with Pastor Angela Denker from Brownton about possibly preaching occasionally at ROH when Hans is gone, or when he is taking a week off from preaching to use his time in other pastoral duties.