

Interfaith Council minutes November 2011

Meeting called to order: 8:21 am

Opening prayer by: Daisy Maldonado from MSA

1st Christian church announces the process of "Crop Hunger Walk" on NMSU Sunday November 20, 2011. Contact person is Aletta Wilson (575) 526-5058. They are asking for people to walk with them starting at 2 pm at the northwest corner of the Pan Am Center. 25% of the proceeds stay in Las Cruces.

Jim will do training on pastoral management.

Approval of the October minutes motioned by J. Kane. 2 corrections. Passed by consensus.

Treasurer's report: no changes.

Inter Faith Dialogue: Heartsong accepts the position as chair. Need dates for planning sessions. Heartsong asks for student contact information of those that are interested in helping. The format of the Great Conversation has been suggested. Randy Harris, the Great Conversation creator, has made a connection to have Great Conversation at Corbett. Heartsong will ask Randy to use the month we host the IFD to make the conversations to be religion related for each week during that month.

New organizations: Sabine misunderstood the action of campus activity in regards to the religious category to make new invites, therefore the minutes were incorrect and Bruce will send out the list for the IFC members to invite instead of Campus Activities. Heartsong asks for a sub-committee to narrow down new groups as to who is eligible. 1. Who is eligible. 2. Welcome letter...are they interested in IFC? 3. Let them decide if they are interested. Make the letter a query, including the eligibility for belonging to IFC, and asking them if they are eligible and interested. Daisy will format the letter, and present it to IFC by next meeting.

New Business:

Programming for December:

Faith and Families Summit tonight at 6 pm. Invite Sarah the organizer to come talk to the IFC for the December minutes

Campus Activities: Dean of Students is going over to Enrollment. It is still not filled. Thanksgiving break Nov 21-25. Finals week Dec 5-9. NMSU is doing away with hardcopy of schedule of classes. Its all on line now. Dec 4 at 6 pm is the Luminarias walk.

Rabbi Kane – faculty unionization. Graduation invocation is assigned to Rod from UUCLC

Community of Hope – Jim Ficklin reported that 160 LDS people had provided day of service.

First 10 days of the Islamic New Year. Pigramage is happening.

Divali Festival of Light is this Saturday at DACC East Mesa.

Nov 12 is birth of the founder of the Bahai faith.

Pelton's had memorial service of Jude this past Saturday. Heartsong suggests we donate in the name of IFC to the cause. Consensus. \$100.

Larry - Multicultural/multifaith calendar – add to new business to keep things happening locally.

Closing prayer by Beatrice. 9:41