

2026-04-13 Commission Chairs Minutes

Meeting Details

Date: April 13, 2026

Time: 6:45 P.M.

Location Zoom

Present: Nizeet Deiter (VAT Chair), Mike Wiggington (Admin Chair), Melissa Walsh (Worship Chair), Cheryl Martin (Discipleship Chair), Linda Showalter (Community Life Chair), Becky Wiggington (Outreach) Craig Oury (Pastor), Andrew Martin (VAT Vice Chair, Secretary)

Opening

Craig opened meeting with prayer at 6:50

Next Meeting Scheduled

Next meeting scheduled for June 15 at 6:45

Commission Updates

Worship Commission

- Translation device work continues, testing with Zoom transcriptions, testing with translation earbuds through Zoom to continue.
- Recognition of special Lenten services: Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday and foot washing.
- Palms were 15 dollars for 20 palms – will discuss Palm Sunday more in the future proactively.
- Black History Month was discussed and would like to begin planning earlier in future.
- Discussed a music and scripture service to be done at some point during Craig's sabbatical.
- Suggestion from Outreach was given to reach out to organizations we support to function as guest speakers when speakers are needed.

Outreach Commission

- Discussed adding 'notes' to better pray for the organization of the week, and who should be the contact person to take care of organizing. Consensus was that if organization's information can be added to the newsletter, it would streamline the process for information exchange.

Admin Commission

- There have been two heating system issues in the past few weeks. A leak has been repaired. The boiler pump also went out and has been replaced.
- Lift work is ongoing.
- Lawn mowing service has been uncommunicative and alternate services are being explored.
- Dumpster leavings continue to be an administrative issue.

Community Life

- Commission has not met since the previous CC meeting.
- Work on the retreat is underway
- Guess who's coming to dinner will be a point of discussion.

Discipling

- Working on summer programs for adults and children, sometimes together, sometimes apart
 - including some project/art-based work

-Sunday School options in the fall have been discussed

Gifts Discernment

-Work on 2027 personnel will soon begin

Craig

-Pleased to have navigated the Lenten season

-Pastoral care work has been a continued balancing act between preaching and pastoral care responsibilities. Weeks of other preachers have been helpful for pastoral care work.

-Continues to prepare for the sabbatical

-Plan is to announce sabbatical plans this week for Craig and for the congregation

VAT

-The VAT is in process of securing an interim pastor. Public announcements will soon take place.

-Indiana AID has given the congregation notice that they are becoming financially and organizationally independent.

Closing Prayer

Andrew ended meeting in prayer at 7:40

Meeting adjourned at 7:41