

Attending: Gary Smith (chair), Geri Bowen, Steve Halsted, Marty Lamb, Grady McCallie, Jane Smith

NEXT MEETING: MONDAY, MARCH 23, 6 PM Bring your dinner.
We're starting early to try to finish early.

PROJECT: ALL THINGS CONGO
Responsible: JCC
Date: May 17, time TBD

NOTES: Sam Mosley from Holy Trinity will present on climate change with special information about the effects on the environment in DRC.
Marty's friends from Belgium will be in town and may attend; could add an interesting dimension to the conversation.

TO DO:
GARY will set time in collaboration with Fernand and Sam M.

PROJECT: CUCC KITCHEN WASTE REDUCTION
Responsible: JCC
Date: immediate

TO DO:
JANE will revise and post the sign describing proper disposal of recycling, compost, and garbage.
JANE will let Vandy and Lena know that Steve has extra compost buckets should the need arise.
ALL will help educate CUCCers as the opportunity arises.

PROJECT: CAFT Transit Bill position endorsement
Responsible: Gary
Date: immediate

The JCC voted unanimously to endorse the CAFT position on the Transit Bill, requesting that the bill be strengthened to ensure affordable housing be built or retained near transit hubs.

TO DO:
GARY will send an email to CAFT with the JCC modified endorsement.

PROJECT: GREEN TEA BREAKFAST
Responsible: JCC
Date: May 9, 9-11 AM, VFH

Event goals:

- * to begin building a statewide network of contacts spanning regional and urban/rural parts of NC through Green Tea members which could be used to gather people to a future lobbying day
- * to provide information about the political context for environmental (specifically transit) legislation – ie., urban/rural issues

Steve reports that the UCC Southern Conference has said there is no problem with a congregation sponsoring a lobby day.

TO DO:

GRADY will arrange to have someone from the NC Justice Center give the informational talk.

GRADY will draft the invitation/flyer to be sent to Green Tea members and get it to Gary asap. Gary will forward to JCC members and post on JCC bulletin board.

GRADY will find out if the transit legislation includes bike and pedestrian infrastructure.

ALL will contact Gary to let him know which Green Tea members they will invite personally and will then forward Grady's invitation.

JANE will reserve the VFH.

STEVE will purchase bagels for the breakfast.

? Next newsletter deadline is March 23 which is before we meet again. Do we want to put an invitation in our newsletter?

PROJECT: MATCHING GRANTS

Responsible:

Date: ongoing

NOTES: Marty has found a list of matching grants offered through NC government.

TO DO:

JANE will find out about money available for stormwater care.

GRADY will find out how we find out about grants and matches from the Stimulus package in our areas of interest.

GRADY will see if the community gardening project is happening.

PROJECT: METHOD CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER WORKDAY

Responsible: Community Outreach Ministry

Date: May 2, 9-12:30 am

NOTES: Yardwork and bathroom tilework are planned. If some energy savings work needs done, we might be able to leverage one of the NC grants.

TO DO:

STEVE will check if weatherizing would be useful when he and Mike Evans do their on-site inspection to assess the work.

PROJECT: JCC MEMBERSHIP

Responsible: Council

Date: immediate

These JCC committee participants have indicated they are supportive but need to scale back: Sam Johnson, Ron Howell, Paul Kiel, Skip Stoddard (during remainder of school year). Those listed below have affirmed their willingness to continue to represent their ministry.

Current Ministry representation:

Chair – Gary

Pastor - Steve

Council - _____ (Diana is Past Moderator)

Community Outreach - Geri

Deacons - _____ (Gary is a Deacon, but it would be better to have someone dedicated to that role.)

Property - _____

Religious Education – Marty

Social Justice - Grady

Stewardship - Skip when school year is over

Welcoming, Fellowship & Growth – Jane

We might need to scale back our expectations for JCC. Our current “phase” is leveraging the money available.

TO DO:

GARY will bring to Council the need to find new ministry representation.