

Peninsula Multifaith General Meeting of January 4th, 2016 held at Congregational Church of Belmont

Attended:

Congregational Church of Belmont	Rev. Kristi	Denham
First Presbyterian Church of Burlingame	Gary	Deatherage
First Presbyterian Church of Burlingame	Carol	Deatherage
First Presbyterian Church of Burlingame	Vickie	Sherman
JCRC Peninsula	Brittany	Caine
JCRC Peninsula	Roy	Bukstein
LDS Church (Mormon) San Bruno	Debbie	Grewal
LDS Church (Mormon) Foster City	Matt	Mosman
Masjid Ul Haqq Mosque in San Mateo	Rehana	Hussain
Pacifica Institute	Deanna	Kaya
Peninsula Sinai Congregation (PSC) in FC.	Dana	Izenson
Peninsula Temple Beth El (PTBE) in San Mateo	Dick	Heiman
Peninsula Temple Beth El (PTBE) in San Mateo	Joel	Miller
Peninsula Temple Beth El (PTBE) in San Mateo	Judy	Miller
Peninsula Temple Beth El (PTBE) in San Mateo	Ken	Klieman
Peninsula Temple Sholom (PTS) in Burlingame	Lionel	Engleman
Peninsula Temple Sholom (PTS) in Burlingame	Evelyn	Engleman
Peninsula Temple Sholom (PTS) in Burlingame	Jeff	Savitz
Congregation Beth Jacob in Redwood City	Jon	Levinson
Sanatan Mandir Hindu in San Bruno	Dilip	Amin
Shinnyo-en Buddhist Temple in Redwood City	Kyoko	Lee
Shinnyo-en Buddhist Temple in Redwood City	Ineko	Tsuchida
St. Andrew's Lutheran Church in San Mateo	Pastor Connie	Winter-Eulberg
St. Bart's Catholic Church in San Mateo	Jim	Sell
United Universalist Fellowship of Redwood City	Cheri	Hahne
Peninsula Temple Beth El (PTBE) in San Mateo	Michele	Epstein
Trinity Baptist Church in San Mateo	Diane	Gillen
Trinity Baptist Church in San Mateo	Rev. Carole	Moore
Trinity Baptist Church in San Mateo	Justin	Wooley
Hillsdale Methodist Church	Pastor Ted	Pecot
St. Paul's Episcopal in Burlingame	Lisa	Striebing
Local Peace Initiative	Aziz	Basier*

**(Captain & Proxy for Vince Perrine)*

Additional attendees included Project Captains for the upcoming MLK Jr. Day of Service:

- Rich Fuchs from PTBE
- Ken Manders from St. Matthias
- Steve Eulberg from St. Andrews
- Maggie Wilde from St. Matthias

Rev Kristi Denham started with a prayer

Starting up the short presentation part of our meetings relating to our faiths after MLK Jr. Day (*part of February meeting*)

- Lionel E. talked about giving a short presentation about an individual faith
- People can think about this and perhaps look at videos on PMC web site to get some ideas.
- Let Lionel E. know if you can do a presentation on February 1, 2016 or at a later date.

Finances

- Jeff S. talked about finances – est. is \$9000 for MLK Day expenses.
- Bottom line is \$3194 cash available including contributions tonight.
- Lionel asked that faith houses that haven't come forward please do.
- Thanks to all for getting fantastic individual donations that have increased substantially from prior years.

MLK Jr. Day of Service (Project related)

- Vickie S. talked about Captain Packets
- About the 12th each captain will get an email showing who is on your projects
- Captain to send out email to your volunteers thanking them before event.
- Showed blue card in packet with tips for volunteers, each person should have a job.
- Sample prayer in project.
- At breakfast volunteers will sit by project per Vickie S.
- Some direction signs in packet to point volunteers in the correct direction
- Reimbursement form in the packet for small expenses.
- All volunteers must sign the waivers for injury and photography (in packet)
- Email waivers to volunteers in advance if we have them in time.
- Parents need to sign waivers for children.
- Buttons available for each captain showing "Project Captain"
- Also, someone at each project will have an "Ask Me" button.
- Read (or summarize) Policies.doc to each volunteer as it describes policy on no bullying, no harassment, no adult alone with any child.
- Any drivers need to have valid license and insurance and need to agree they are doing as a volunteer
- Captains have met prior and should be aware of the details of the projects
- All three schools will get books.
- Two schools will receive clothing - North Shoreview & Fair Oaks.
- Four breakfasts. One at each school plus First Presbyterian.
- Get books to Congregation Beth Jacob in RWC by the 15th of January before 3:00PM. Otherwise contact Jon L for the book delivery.
- Clothes to First Presbyterian in Burlingame before event – ask for Jackie Gainor or Sonu Sharma.
- Remind project volunteers where their breakfast is.
- By the 12th of January each Project Captain will receive complete details from Brittany C. on names and faith house of each volunteer by project.
- Encourage volunteers to attend breakfast as this is extremely important to foster bonding between faiths.
- Children's clothing only to be donated.
- Dick H. talked about the history of this event
- PMC has struck a chord with community
- We could have as many as 700 volunteers per Dick.
- But why, only 421 as of Jan 4th?

- Issue of concern is that the projects farther away.
- We have a problem with some of the reading buddies.
- We have partnered with “Reading Partners” and they will provide 35 additional volunteers
- Keep recruiting for the projects that need help.
- Each school will have an additional Spanish speaking high school student to help per Ken K.
- Per Dick, really try and get kids & parents to attend these Reading Buddy events.
- Flyers in Food Bags promoting our event in 2nd Harvest Food Bags going to schools.
- In case of Rain: Get a tent for Safe Harbor or Fisher event. Cong Church of Belmont has tents if necessary.
- Rev. Kristi will work out tent details. Also Deanna may be able to help with tents.
- Other projects have overhangs to protect against rain

MLK Jr. Day of Service (Food related)

- Gary D. will send list to BiRite
- Most food will come from 2nd Harvest for Safe Harbor and Veterans BBQ.
- Breakfast & lunch for volunteers will come from PMC and BiRite (maybe) or purchased independently
- All breakfast captains will be in touch with Deanna with all details, Lunches prepared at First Presbyterian and delivered by Deanna’s drivers to schools,
- Breakfast captains will need to pick up food for breakfasts.
- Dick talked about his visit to Samaritan house. Ruby at Samaritan House has contacts everywhere to assist us

MLK Jr. Day of Service (Publicity)

- Justin W. – publicity both external and internal.
- Two professional photographers Matt S. and Richard M,
- Each captain is encouraged to also take pictures.
- Send all pictures to justinmwooley@gmail.com
- Justin will also provide some hash tags and article ID’s.
- Try to improve over previous year’s publicity.
- Highlight the diversity of our event, etc.
- Justin will contact captains by email with a survey and other details.

Other

- Dick H. and Rev. Kristi talked about an honor for the late Deacon John to be presented on Feb. 1st.
- Rev. Kristi needs a date and location for upcoming songfest.
- Suggestion of using “What’s App” application for smart phones to solve issues on site.

Meeting closed with a prayer by Rev. Kristi D.

Next meeting is Monday, Feb. 1st at location (TBD)

- Where to have Feb. 1st meeting?
- Perhaps a dinner meeting at 6:30PM.
- Lionel asked again for a faith house to present their faith.

Board meeting followed general meeting

- I. The following directors attended this meeting. All 9 were present.
 - Rev. Kristi Denham
 - Lionel Engelman
 - Lisa Striebing
 - Joel Miller
 - Ineko Tsuchida
 - Debbie Grewal
 - Richard Heiman
 - Deanna Kaya
 - Vickie Sherman
- II. Obtaining IRS E.I.N to be processed by Vickie S. or Claire F.

- III. Jeff S. or Lisa S. can open up an account
- IV. One signature required on the account for items under \$100; otherwise two signatures required.
- V. Signatures on the accounts ---- Jeff S. , Lisa S., Rev. Kristi, and Lionel E.
- VI. Approved by laws
- VII. Approved the officers
 - Co–chairs or Co–Presidents ----- Rev. Kristi D. and Lionel Engelman;
 - Treasurer ----- Lisa Striebing
 - Secretary ---- Joel Miller

These notes were written by Joel Miller as Secretary of PMC on January 5th, 2016