

CCC Board Meeting Minutes

November 20, 2025 at Diane Suffridge's home, followed by dinner

Present: Rev. Jess Shine, Diane Suffridge, Lisa Bogart, Gail Lester, Adelena Rodriguez, Patti Mitchell, Caroline McKinnon

Call to order: 4:40pm

Opening Inspiration from Rev. Jess: Extract from an email regarding "The Day After," following the election of 2024 written by Caroline McKinnon.

Community Building Practice: led by Lisa Bogart, singing "Loosen Baby."

STANDING BUSINESS

Minutes from October Board meeting approved.

Staff reports

Christina Russell Events Coordinator (posted)

Reviewed AV add-on for weddings, client charge \$1,050/event (\$400 Patrick's labor, \$650 equipment cost and eventual profit margin); with 6 bookings equipment would be fully paid off. Motion to approve the purchase was passed.

Christina proposed paying for Instagram ads in January at cost of \$1,500 to start, noting that engagements are more prevalent during holiday times. Patti wanted more details about how the ads actually work before giving full approval.

Minister's Report (posted). No questions or comments.

Administrator's Report (posted). No questions or comments.

Treasurer's Report

Patti provided hard copies of budget for review. Overall, we are doing great despite being \$25K behind on pledges. It is thanks to Sally Blackburn's estate we are doing so well. Investments with Schwab doing very well. There are plans to consolidate all investments into the Schwab account. Patti warns a market correction is coming.

New Business

Year-end holiday donations: Discussed donations to staff employees and contractors who help with Sunday services (music and audio-visual) to be given by check inside a card. Motion to approve was passed.

Discussed bookkeeper duties and possible changes. Lisa is working with a small group to research our current bookkeeper needs.

Discussed cost of Blackie's Pasture banner promoting Advent events at CCC. Decided to wait until January 2026 to book an early spot for next season.

Executive Session ensued, followed by dinner.

Date and Time of next meeting: Thursday 12/18/25 for our Holiday Gathering. Location to be determined.