

Chico
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Interfaith Council



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Agenda – **January 13th, 2021 CAIC Monthly (Zoom) Meeting @ 11:30-1pm**
Zoom Meeting ID: 397 629 2568
Password: 5303433727

11:30 am **Introductions:** Share your name and affiliation, if any (3 min.)

Lucy Gould, AVP; Ted Sandberg, Faith Lutheran; Marv Megibow, CBI; Nancy Thompson, First Christian; Bruce Grelle, Trinity United Methodist Church; Jesse Kearns, First Christian Church; Bryan Plude, Unitarian Universalist Fellowship; Pamela Beeman, Trinity UMC; Kristina Carter, Bahai Faith; Barbara Mann, First Christian Church; Jim Anderson, Chico Friends Meeting/Quaker; Susan Wilson, Chico Friends Meeting; Mark Alvidrez, CHAT; Lesa Johnson, Bethel AME/Guest Speaker; Sandi John, Jackie Leser, Bahai Faith; Reb Lisa, CBI; Cindi Hoover, Chico Havurah; Mary Collins, Community Member - mecdesigns927@yahoo.com

11:33 am **Approval of December Minutes:** Kristy (2 min) Correction for homeless sleeping outside from 100 count to 1,200 projected on the street. 1st. 2nd. Approved.

11:38 am **Old Business:** (13 min)

- Intern starts January 25th - Becca not able to attend today. She set SMART goals with the executive committee and the first project will be focused on the homeless and loss of life from Fall-December 11+ residents.
- Susan Wilson read a letter sent to the City Council from the Chico Friends Meeting. See attached in Minutes. Yesterday, the park area was bulldozed and homeless lost items and a heartbreaking loss due to health, safety and basic needs. Mark spoke from CHAT and added a small glimmer of hope with an arrangement and partnership with Chico Friends Meeting and CHAT. Jim asks us to consider offering your space for Safe Space.
- Can you donate items to **Project Room Key**? Attached is a list of items needed. Safe Space Winter Shelter, you can contact Deana Schwab at 513schwab@gmail.com
 - **Project Room Key Items may be taken to Room 102 of the Heritage Inn at 725 Broadway** (corner of 8th & Broadway) between 8am and 8pm daily.
- **Committee Meeting Reports** (5 min)
 - Education Report - Annual Event - Thursday, May 6th 7-8:30pm
 - Program/Panel of 5-6 individuals focusing on Race and Religion
 - Guest Speaker for January/February with Book in Common opening questions intertwined in February.
 - Social Justice - Jim requested to be informed of past meeting info. And suggested an email chain to determine the next meeting.

11:35 am **Treasurer report:** Gail Hill (3 min)

- 2021 Budget for approval on February 10th

- Question regarding checks and balances and we are in compliance with the new finance committee. Kristina asked if the desserts can still be included in the Annual Event with interns and students.
- Membership Dues for FY 20-21

General Meeting

12:02 pm **Welcome/Prayer** (2 min) - Prayer for the Decade of Nonviolence

I bow to the sacred in all creation.
 May my spirit fill the world with beauty and wonder.
 May my mind seek truth with humility and openness.
 May my heart forgive without limit.
 May my love for friend, enemy, and outcast be without measure.
 May my needs be few and my living simple.
 May my actions bear witness to the suffering of others.
 May my hands never harm a living being.
 May my steps stay on the journey of justice.
 May my tongue speak for those who are poor without fear of the powerful.
 May my prayers rise with patient discontent until no child is hungry.
 May my life's work be a passion for peace and nonviolence.
 May my soul rejoice in the present moment.
 May my imagination overcome death and despair with new possibility.
 And may I risk reputation, comfort, and security to bring this hope to the children.

- Mary Lou Kownacki, OSB

12:04 pm **Introductions** (3 min)

12:10 pm **Book in Common Speaker** (40 min)

Assistant Professor Lesa Johnson - Multicultural Health and Disparities, Sociology, Ethnic and Race Relations at CSU Chico and leader in Bethel AME. ljohnson87@csuchico.edu
 Powerpoint and lecture provided with a recording from Zoom.

12:58 pm **Wrap Up and Adjourn General Meeting** (5 min)

Future Happenings

- Please contact Kristy Collins Secretary for announcements to be added to the Agenda

Next Business Meeting: February 10th, at 11:30AM-1PM