

**FIRST PARISH BROOKLINE  
PARISH COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
March 7, 2016**

**PC Members Participating:** Sue Andrews, Ben Davis, Steve Davis, Ann Dinsmoor, Elena Garofoli, Ann Gilmore, Stacey Raczek, and James Shillaber. Also Rev. Rebecca Bryan

**Joint Session with Transition Team**

In order for the PC and the Transition Team to gain a common understanding of our respective roles during the interim period, we met with the members of the Transition Team: Anne Copeland, chair, Gene-Thompson Grove, Mark Reynolds, Lilly Marcelin, and Bob Williamson. Rev. Rebecca had identified 12 issues which have emerged as areas to be addressed during the interim period. These include social justice, worship, community building, staffing supervision, staffing models, commitment to being multigenerational, grieving the past, financial sustainability, mission/vision, 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary, decision-making, and who does FPB want to be. She designed an exercise where these issues were posted around the room and the members of the PC and of the Transition team were asked to record by colored post-its under each topic which of the following had primary and supportive responsibilities for each: Ministers/Staff, Parish Committee, Transition Team and Congregation. We will explore these respective roles in greater depth at our joint mini-retreat on April 24.

**Consent Agenda –**

- 1) The revised minutes of the Feb. 8 meeting were **APPROVED.**
- 2) The PC joyfully affirms the formation of a 300 Year Anniversary Celebration Committee – **APPROVED**

**Information Sharing:**

- GA delegates to be recruited and selected, funding TBD when honor system reimbursement requests are received.
- Boston New Sanctuary Movement has requested FPB to be their fiduciary agent. As interim senior minister, Rev. Rebecca has agreed we will gladly do this.
- We will have a special blessing at the March 20<sup>th</sup> service for Elena Garofoli who will be donating a kidney to save the life of Patti Matthis. The surgery is scheduled for March 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Exit interview requested by UUA re Rev. Jim's resignation, additional PC meeting to be scheduled and to include determination of interim senior minister's salary increase.

**Interim Senior Minister's Report**

**Executive Session**

The PC voted to go into executive session with Rev. Rebecca. We discussed two topics:

- 1) How we are experiencing this Interim period
- 2) Various budget scenarios for next fiscal year

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Gilmore, Clerk