CMF Board of Governors / Meeting Minutes / July 18th, 5pm 2023

Board members in attendance: Becca Obuchowski (president), Ben Joselyn (treasurer) - remote, Lo Kolb, Lisa Haynes, Carol Inskeep (secretary), Holly Curia / Others attending: Emily McKown (CMF ED), Karen Sherwood (RH Kitchen Manager), Sam Schnelle (CMF Operations Manager), Megan HeraKovich (RH Operations Manager), Rohn Koester (CMF Facilities Manager)

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Approval of June Minutes
- 3. Staff Reports:

Red Herring

Summer report:

- Red Herring is participating in Handmade Harvest on Fridays near Salt & Light.
- Red Herring will be on hand on Monday at Hootenanny as part of the Bathroom fundraiser.
- Red Herring hopes to hire an assistant kitchen manager.
- Sola Gratia has asked staff to teach three cooking classes
- Finances continue to be strong, showing significant increase in revenue from the fall

Office Operations

Bathroom For All Fundraiser:

- \$2600 raised has been raised / also have \$2000 check from Orange Crush; Sam continues to do fundraising outreach.
- There is a new series of social media posts feature photos and stories from CM staff and board speaking about the mission and work of CM.

Off-Quad Carnival recruitment:

- Event on August 20th will mark the end of our fundraiser; Board members are strongly encourage to attend and help with games and activities

Facilities - Rohn

Groundskeeping - Lots of progress including bush removal, prep for new plantings, Fireside room doors repaired, assistance with HVAC from Michael, recycling to be picked up, mowing, general yard clean-up); Garden is thriving - Garlic!

Director's comments - Emily

Emily spoke about plans for the next academic year - What would success look like? A key goal is to have more student-focused programming (film series, Reparations group, etc.) Emily's role as the president of the Religious Workers Association also offers opportunities for impact and partnership.

4. New Business

Bathroom Bids and Planning

Extensive discussion about the two bids received for the accessible bathroom and the best way to proceed: Are the bids a good value or inflated? Could some of the work be done by volunteers and staff? Could we work with Jane to do the project more affordably? How will various options affect staff? How strong is our commitment to getting an accessible bathroom at this point? Could we postpone the project or is it important to do it soon?

- We decided to ask Jane for a detailed proposal, if she is interested.

- We wondered if we could negotiate further with Tim Gibbs. Could some of the work be done by volunteers so that the bid could be lowered?

More to come!

New Board member!

We unanimously voted to add the amazing Holly to the Board.

5. Adjournment. Next meeting: August 9