

**PRESBYTERIAN COMMITTEE ON THE SELF-DEVELOPMENT OF PEOPLE
NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING
December 6, 2018
ZOOM CALL
DRAFT MINUTES**

The Self-Development of People National Committee Zoom call convened at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday December 6, 2018 **CONVENED**

The following Committee members were present:

ROLL CALL

Rebecca Reyes, Chairperson	
Pat Osoinach	Delores Adams-Henderson
Laura Krauss	Phyllis Edwards
Karen Brown	Elizabeth Swee
Richard Morrow	Susan Dobkins
Wayne Steele	Lawrence Low
Gail Porter Nelson	Wesley Woo
Rebecca Davis	

The following staff members were present:

Alonzo Johnson, Clara Nunez, Margaret Mwale, Teresa Bidart and Nina Lewis.

Excused Absence: Samantha Davis, Tracy Dace, Phil Tom

The meeting was opened by Laura Krauss with prayer.

The Committee **VOTED TO APPROVE** the Proposed Agenda with one change. Delores Hernderson, Midwest Task Force Chairperson, will conduct the Midwest Task Force report at the beginning because she has a doctor's appointment.

**ACTION: 47-1218
Approved Agenda**

Joys and concerns were shared.

The Committee **VOTED TO APPROVE** the September 14, 2018 National Committee minutes.

**ACTION: 48-1218
Approved September 14, 2018
minutes.**

The Committee **VOTED TO RECEIVE** the Midwest Task Force report.

**ACTION: 49-1218
The Committee VOTED TO
RECEIVE the Midwest Task
Force report**

The Task Force had a meeting in Detroit on November 15. The Task Force conducted a community workshop and a site visit to SM18004 Demographic Inspirations - Detroit. They also visited the Presbytery of Missouri River Valley. They will do a recertification on January 2019

A precis was presented for validation and funding:

Demographic Inspirations- Detroit, Detroit, MI
Validation/Funding: \$ 15,000
Payment Schedule: Two equal payments

**ACTION: 50-1218
VALIDATION/FUNDING
SM18004**

Committee **VOTED TO APPROVE**

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The Committee **VOTED TO RECEIVE** the September Financial Statement and the 2019 budget.

**ACTION: 51-1218
Received the Financial Report**

Phyllis Edwards conducted the finance discussion regarding the September Financial statement and the 2019 budget. She mentioned that 64% of the budget has been expended. The budget had not changed a lot from August. She presented the 2019 budget and explained the items that have been increased.

The draft 2019 budget was discussed, the members commented about it. The revised 2019 **budget was approved.**

**ACTION: 52-1218
The National Committee members approved the 2019 budget revision.**

The Committee discussed the January 24-26, 2019 National Committee meeting plan ideas in Albuquerque, NM.

Laura Krauss reported that the Church-Wide and Community Relations Committee decided that “Charlotte like” meeting in 2019 will be at the Atlanta National Committee meeting.

A community workshop will be conducted on Thursday January 24, 2019 in the morning. Several congregations have extended an invitation to the SDOP Committee during our meeting in Albuquerque, NM. Laura asked for committee members willingness to visit Farmington and Santa Fe areas in NM.

Staff was asked to send an email to the National Committee members with the hotel information in New Mexico to know the check in and out information and to know who is not going to the meeting.

So far two committee members won’t attend, Gail Nelson and Pat Osoinach.

TASK FORCES REPORTS

The Committee **VOTED TO RECEIVE** the Northeast Task Force report.

**ACTION: 53-1218
The Committee VOTED TO RECEIVE the Northeast Task Force report**

The Task Force had 5 site visits pending. They already conducted 3 site visits.

The Committee **VOTED TO RESCIND** the following grants because of lack of reporting and communication:

SN15007 Providence Student Union, Providence, RI for \$9, 750

**ACTION: 54-1218
The Committee VOTED TO RESCIND SN15007 AND SN14010**

SN14010 Asbury Park-Statewide Education Organizing Committee, Asbury Park, NJ for \$3,750

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Two précis were presented for validation and funding.

Daughters of Sarah, Poughkeepsie, NY
Validation/Funding: \$ 15,000
Payment Schedule: Quarterly
Committee **VOTED TO APPROVE**

**ACTION: 55-1218
VALIDATION/FUNDING
SN18001**

Alianza Agricola, Rochester, NY
Validation/Funding: \$15,000
Payment Schedule: Quarterly
Committee **VOTED TO APPROVE** with one abstention

**ACTION: 56-1218
VALIDATION/FUNDING
SN18006**

The Northeast Task Force approved the Technical Assistance grant to the following project:

Shutdown Academy, Baltimore, MA
Validation/Funding: \$ 5,000
Payment Schedule: Lump sum payment
Committee **VOTED TO APPROVE**

**ACTION: 57-1218
VALIDATION/FUNDING
SN18002**

Phil Tom did a recertification training to New York City Presbytery with SDOP alumni Diane Kareha.

The Committee **VOTED TO RECEIVE** the South Task Force report.

**ACTION: 58-1218
The Committee VOTED TO
RECEIVE the South Task
Force report**

The South Task Force conducted a community workshop at James Presbytery in conjunction with Alonzo and Margaret.

The Task Force is planning to do a community workshop in Puerto Rico with the SDOP alumni Wilma Quiñonez.

In 2019 the Task Force will have a face to face meeting after the National Committee in January. Also, the Task Force is working with the local Presbytery to work in the Appalachia area.

The Committee **VOTED TO RECEIVE** the West Task Force report.

**ACTION: 59-1218
The Committee VOTED TO
RECEIVE the West Task
Force report**

The Task Force had a zoom call on November 20.

Larry Lawrence did a recertification in Oregon to the Cascades SDOP Mid Council Committee. The Task Force will decide in January about the status of this committee.

**ACTION: 60-1218
VALIDATION/FUNDING
SW18004**

One précis was presented for validation and funding:
Welcome Back! Missoula. MT
Validation/Funding: \$ 15,000
Payment Schedule: Quarterly

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Committee VOTED TO APPROVE

The Committee **VOTED TO RECEIVE** the International Task Force report.

The Task Force had zoom call meetings every month.

The Task Force approved to continue the partnership with two intermediaries in Dominican Republic, CE-MUJER, and in Rwanda, with the Presbyterian Church of Rwanda. The funding approved for both intermediary partners was \$25,000 for each of them.

The Task Force approved the technical assistance grant to the following project:

Seine Bight Village Council, Seine Bight Village, Belize
Validation/Funding: \$ 3,000
Payment Schedule: Lump sum payment
Committee **VOTED TO APPROVE**

Two Task Force members and two staff visited Panama at the end of November. The visit was very good, and several contacts were made with grassroots organizations. The Task Force will present a more detailed report with pictures on January National Committee meeting.

On December 10 The Task Force members and staff will have a zoom call meeting with mission coworkers in Nicaragua and Guatemala besides the center Area Coordinator and Mission Specialist. The objective of this call is to start planning how the work in these two countries is going to be and to identify intermediary partners there. The Task Force will report the results of this conversation in January.

The Committee **VOTED TO RECEIVE** the Church Wide and Community Relations report.

The Committee had a zoom call on November 20. The Committee will do a strong work with the SDOP mid councils next year. The Committee are asking for 2 hours discussion meeting during the January National meeting.

The sub-committee of the Church-wide and Relations Committee and part of the staff had a zoom call on November. The recommendations of this sub-committee will be discussed in January during the National Committee meeting.

The Executive Committee met three times via zoom.

The Member Engagement Committee have not met in this period.

ACTION: 61-1218

The Committee VOTED TO RECEIVE the International Task Force report

ACTION: 62-1218

**VALIDATION/FUNDING
SI14005**

ACTION: 63-1218

The Committee VOTED TO RECEIVE the Church Wide and Community Relations report.

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Susan Dobkins made a report about the application revision status. She stated that the application form is now 3 pages instead of 8 so far. The form will be sent to everybody and we will discuss it during the January meeting.

Rebecca Reyes stated that the application form review will be included in the January meeting.

Karen Brown encouraged the group to review the narrative forms too.

Alonzo conducted the staff report. The staff already prepared the SDOP Sunday resource.

The meeting days for 2019 and 2020 were presented as follows:

2019 Meeting dates

Albuquerque, NM – January 24-26

New York, Ny May 23-25

Atlanta, GA Sept 19-21

December – Conference Call

2020 Meeting dates

January 16-18 – Las Vegas, Nevada

May 15-17– Minneapolis, MN

September 17-19– Rochester, NY (SDOP 50th Anniversary celebration)

December Conference Call

The Committee **VOTED TO APPROVE** the 2019 and 2020 meeting dates

Meeting adjourned at 4:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Teresa Bidart
Bilingual /Meeting Planner