Mystic Grove Meeting Minutes Oct 2018

Started 12:00 PM

Attending: Carrie, Mary, Arlene, Lesley, Paul, Cat, Julia, Barbara, Toni, Sarah, and guests.

OPENING

- Reading supplied by Paul from Terry Pratchett's Carpe Jugulum
- Chalice Lighting by Toni

UU ANNOUNCEMENTS

- UU Women's Retreat. April 13-15, 2018. Cat and Christi are going.
- Congregational meeting next weekend. (Oct 14)

WORSHIP

Mystic Grove performing service at UUU 10/28/2018

Confirmation for calling quarters (Lesley), Flag presentation (Mary), Calling God/Goddess (Carie), Live Passages (Mary, Julia), Arlene may be out of town, Cat & Paul fallback on hand-fasting couple, Crone (Barbara), Dead (Mary, Carie), None (Wheel of the year).

Mabon Ritual Feedback

No major feedback. Julia suggested ritual theatre for future version.

Samhain.

Mary and Christi will captain Samhain ritual 11/03.

Yule

Cat will captain Yule ritual. Group agreed with using the Story of the Celts for Words for All Ages. Cat will delegate further tasks. Group decided against custom paper candle shields for Yule.

Moon Circle

Positive feedback from Sarah. Cat and Sarah will be stepping back after the next three sessions. Christi and Michael will facilitate further classes/rituals.

SPECIAL REQUESTS

Mary and Carie will address requests for hand-fasting.

Request from Bev for home blessing/cleansing. Mary and Sarah will address.

FINANCES

Finance details disclosed by Cat. We started with \$178.33 this month and end with \$218.40 after all the month's activities.

EDUCATION

R&D Ritual Book. Call from Mary for sending in past rituals texts as resources for Ritual Book. She is leading this effort. 3rd Thursdays starting Oct 18th.

R&D Wheel of the Year. Julia and Cat will captain Wheel of the Year with Mary as a backup. First Friday evenings starting Nov 2nd. Purpose will be to provide teacher friendly curriculum for MS/HS/Adult level for publication at UUCards.

"Pagan Voices" texts arrived. Cat will check with Minister on start date. Several MG members purchased copies in advance.

FELLOWSHIP

Call for Door Openers for Movie Night. October (canceled), November (pending), and December (pending)

Group agreed to move Temple Tour to next month (Nov 11) in lieu of conflicting congregational meeting. (Oct 14).

Cat will offer to work with kids/youth during congregational meeting for tree painting decoration for room 1.

ROOM HEALTH

Buildings and Grounds getting us a ceiling fan.

Set date and time for annual class room cleanup and "German Dinner" on 11/17 as 3:00pm – 5 PM and 6:30pm dinner. Lesley will check back to confirm.

DIGITAL HEALTH

All areas caught up. (Witchvox, Wordpress, Facebook, Eblast, emails.)

Carrie will take on E-blast coordination. Cat will provide resources and necessary information.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Mabon Retreat Feedback (9/21)

Really positive feedback on Topsy-Turvy ritual and afternoon arts and crafts.

Proposed using retreat model for future CUUPS regional shared activity.

Some concerns with length of retreat combined with ritual were expressed.

Proposed having retreat on its own and not "attached" to a solar ritual.

Propose having a separate time for "new chair hand off" work in the Spring so the new chair can have all summer to digest and make plan.

Orlando Pagan Pride Feedback (9/29)

Cat will touch base with Amy regarding accidents and insurance and connect her to front office. Cat and Lesley will meet with OPPD (Amy and Ashley) to review event. Ask MG for their input to take to them.

Went well: Most guests and vendors were happy to attend and after MG email thank you cards indicated willingness to return. Positive feedback received at Mystic Grove table for campus hospitality. The book table did well.

Could improve:

A map delivered in time be included in the Xerox schedule and to help spot problems like fire hazards/mobility issues in time to prevent them.

Fuller documentation from partnering team in the event of emergency and MG has to step up to run it.

Could not hear or understand announcements in all areas.

Sunday, October 7, 2018

Remember to make ritual and food bank heart and center. Both got "lost in the crowd." The minimum must be a public ritual, a food drive, and press releases about that. http://www.paganpride.org/what

Better signs in foyer to better identify Orlando Pagan Pride Alliance as co-host, better inform when classes were occurring, and better inform guests that this is a no smoking/vaping campus and only service animals allowed space. OPPD could keep the entire foyer to promote themselves, their raffle, and their charity of the year.

Mystic Grove voted that any future coordination and partnerships with other groups will have to follow updated rental/group use policy from 1U when it is completed and with a written contract for deliverables.

Under the old rental policy this was filed under, 1U waived a total of \$3270 for this day's event and it's various planning meetings held on campus.

December Black Cat Pagan Choir

Mary and Toni can provide sleigh bells.

No volunteers to lead at this time. Cat will captain it.

Singers so far; Toni, Mary, Arlene, Cat, and Sarah.

CLOSING

Toni extinguished the Chalice.

Everyone had a chance to speak/was heard.

Meeting concluded at 1:20pm

Respectfully submitted,

Paul B. (Secty/Treas)