

**THE INTERFAITH ALLIANCE OF ROCHESTER**  
**+People of Faith Working Together For Justice in Public Policy+**

**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**April 17,2008**

**Attending:** D.Bird, P.Brayer, G.L'Esperance, B.J.Gottorff, P.Hammer, R.Herman, N.Jaschik, E.Johnson, I.Morrison, G.Mott, A.Nahas, W. Spilly, G.Strother, and M.Wienk.. **Member Guests-** Marie Hickey, Marie Parsons, P. Rubley and Barry Swan.

- 1. Opening Reflection-** By G.L'Esperance.
- 2. Minutes-** Motion by W.Spilly; seconded by I.Morrison to approve the January 17, 2008, February 21, 2008 and March 20, 2008 Board minutes. Approved unanimously.
- 3. TIAR's Faith in Action Nominee-** Sr. Gratia L'Esperance will be TIAR's Nominee for the GRCC Faith in Action Award by acclamation of the board.
- 4. Bishop Matthew Clark and Muslim-** Catholic Alliance Award- has been awarded to our own A.Nahas.
- 5. "Thank God for Evolution"-** Motion by E.Johnson; seconded by W.Spilly to cosponsor this even ( without a contribution of funds) sponsored by the Center for Sustainable Living on June 29, 2008. Approved unanimously.
- 6. N.Y. State Marches for Peace-** Motion by M.Wienk; seconded by E.Johnson to cosponsor this event. (without a contribution of funds) Approved unanimously.
- 7. Rochester Voters Alliance-** P.Brayer- The next meeting will be May 6, 2008 at 7 PM at the Center for Disability Rights at 497 State St. There will be a kick off of the program at the Susan B. Anthony House on June 14, 2008 at 2 PM.
- 8. CLUE (Crowne Plaza) Activities-** This information is supposed to be distributed by an e-mail.
- 9.. Membership-** D.Bird- Anyone who hasn't paid his or her 2008 dues are urged to do so before follow up letters are sent.
- 10. Nominating Committee-** The report with bios will be sent to the Board and membership by e-mail.
- 11. Annual Meeting-** R.Herman- Save the date announcements are in the process of being distributed by e-mail.

**12. Poverty Task Force-** P.Brayer- There will be a presentation and a panel discussion at Temple Sinai at 363 Penfield Road on Sunday April 27, 2008 at 7 PM.

**13. The Health Equity and Accountability Act of 2007 ( HR 3014 )-** Motion by N.Jaschik; seconded by I.Morrison to send a letter from TIAR to the appropriate Congressional representatives in support of this bill. Approved unanimously. G.L'Esperance will prepare and send the letters.

**14. Outreach Committee-** N.Jaschik reported. The committee has met. It will determine who is doing what in the community in interfaith, antiracism, etc. activities.

**The next meeting will be Thursday, May 15, 2008 at 4 PM at Covenant United Methodist Church, Culver at Parsells)**