

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

Minutes
October 20, 2011
Held at Covenant United Methodist Church
Board Meeting

Attending: D.Bird, S.Chamberlin, G.L'Esperance, C.Garman, R.Herman, M.Hickey, M.Howden, N.Jaschik, Peggy Meeker, E.Metzger, M.Morich, G.Mott, J.Noronha, H.Parreno, W.Wilkinson, G.Williams, D.Rice G.Strother, B.Swan, M.Wienk, W.Wilkinson, and G.Williams.

- 1. Opening Reflection-** By M.Hickey.
- 2. Minutes-** Motion by H.Parreno; seconded by N.Jaschik to approve the minutes of the September 15,2011 Board meeting as corrected to add as recipients of the letter referred to in para.5 the two Senators representing NY and that the amount of \$200 was allocated in connection with para.6 of said minutes.Approved unanimously.
- 3. Quarterly Financial Report-** Distributed in writing. Approved unanimously.
- 4. Co-sponsorship of Human Rights Day-** Motion by B.Swan; seconded by S.Chamberlin to be co-sponsors of Human Rights Day and contribute \$50 to the project. The event will take place on November 30, 2011 at DUPC beginning at 5 PM with a pot luck supper followed at 630 PM with a speaker, David Cobb (Topic: "Saving Ourselves from Frankenstein: Human Rights in the Era of the Corporate Person."
- 5. Report on the Committee addressing Hydrofracking-** M.Morich reported and provided an update on this project.G.L'Esperance, P.Meeker and G.Williams have joined this committee.
- 6. Interfaith Impact -** R.Herman reported. This organization is also working on Hydrofracking. John Keevert is their point person locally working on this issue.
- 7. Darwin Day-** Motion by S.Chamberlin; seconded by N.Jaschik to sponsor the celebration the first national "Darwin Day" with an event(as proposed by B.Swan) on February 12, 2012 at one of the Brighton Town Parks. Approved unanimously.
- 8. FEPC update-** R.Herman reported on the issues and response which will be made to a letter to the LWV and TIAR recently received from Monroe County Democratic Chair, Joe Morrelle.
- 9. Redistricting (Reshape New York)-** N.Jaschik provided an update.
- 10. Poverty Committee-** G.L'Esperance provided an update including the possibility of a future conference at MCC.
- 11. Position Paper on A Moral Basis of Economic Justice prepared by J.Noronha-** postponed to next meeting.