

ONA
December 16, 2008
Minutes

Present: Gail Hall, Bob Inderbitzen, Tom Rolfe, Stephanie Heneghan, Wendy Ware, Michael Bower, Bill Hoffman, Laurel Cole, Pat Howland, Katie Hoffman-Fulda, Tim Dostie, Ron Robbins and Steve Smith.

Absent: Mary Dean

The meeting began with prayer led by Pat.

Minutes of November 18th were approved as written.

Stonewall speakers debrief.

No audio recording is available. Discussion occurred over whether we should put out some written materials addressing nature versus nurture as well as bisexuality? There was consensus that some of the APA materials would be printed and made available at Church as well as through links on the web page. Bob will gather the APA materials. We will note that these subjects were discussed at the well attended Stonewall Speakers second hour.

Bible Study.

Planning is done. First meeting will be publicized soon. Two members of the ONA committee will be at each session to listen to the sessions. A blurb in the next Church mouse gives the schedule and place for the meetings.

Theme 4

The committee discussed whether we should pursue the GOP (Grumpy Old Pastors) panel idea? David Dean will raise the issue with GOP members to see if they'd convene a panel. The group discussed whether more research should be done in addition to the panel on what has happened at other Churches who have undertaken the ONA process. The research would supplement the panel discussion to round out the last of the questions that have been raised. Jonathan and Donna would help gather this information. Stephanie will develop a short list of standardized questions that they can use. We need them to complete the survey by the end of January.

Communications on the upcoming programs will start January. Gail will put a note in the program about the great response to the Stonewall Speakers.

Next meeting January 8th tentative if Steph and Mary need us. Jan 20th will be a regular meeting. Michael will do the opening prayer and Laurel will close.

Meeting closed with prayer by Tom at 8:22 pm.

