

Ad Board Notes

Date: May 25, 2021

Attendees: Nick Dewey, Wayne Johnson, Sue Restemayer, Jan Kirchner, Jerry Schilling, Lisa Oster, Becca Whitaker, Marilyn Dodge, Alicia Owens, Rev. Hope Hutchison, Rev. Nate Melcher

"A goal without a plan is just a wish" Antoine de Saint-Exupéry (*no idea what this was about but it was the first line in my notes and I like it*)

Approval of 3/23/2021 board minutes: Motion to approve, Jerry Schilling (1st), Wayne Johnson (2nd)

- Discussion – Easter offering (No Motion needed)
- Total \$3750 offering = equally split between West African Minnesota Food Pantry and Future Focus

ACTION ITEMS

Trustee Proposal – 20 windows on SE side of church (Lunchroom, Caring Hands Room, +1 on 2nd floor) deteriorating. Trustees would like to replace 20 windows.

- Discussion
 - Nokomis and Kelly Enterprise
 - Proposing Clad Bronze Double Hung
 - Installer – Vermilion Creek Homes (Dustin)
 - Will need 6 weeks lead time to order windows
 - Wholesale price: \$16,938 (materials) + \$9300 (labor) = \$26,238
 - Anticipated next need to replace windows in 2041. Jerry noted it will be some other Trustee Chair's problem at that time.
- Motion
 - That the ad board approve cost to replace 20 windows on the southside. Includes windows, disposal of old windows and installation. Asking for an amount not to exceed \$28,000
 - Jerry Schilling moved and the motion was seconded. Motion was approved.

Regathering Recommendations Proposal

- Review Recommendations Phase 0 – Phase 5
 - Starts with soft launch – Phases 1, 2, 3 – worship and fellowship; Phase 4 small gatherings
 - 1 service @ 9:30
 - Facility schedule and safety protocols
 - Modifications to offering
 - Communion single serve cups and/or BYO elements
 - Seating – 2 households per pew
- Discussion
 - Marilyn – Re P4 small groups – will UMW need to wait until 2022? Can UMW or other small groups meet outdoors? No consensus from Regathering team
 - Marilyn – Choir is anxious to get back
 - Church sacraments/ordinances – Could be accommodated on case-by-case basis
 - Alicia – What was attendance for Phase 1? No check in system in place.
 - Outdoor fellowship – concern re too many steps
 - Can/should ushers enforce protocols?
 - How to manage small groups is a concern to address

- More thinking through to do
- Change to service times
 - Reducing to one service – identify those who may be strongly affected/impacted
 - Specifically address large events
 - Optional holiday weekends with prerecorded service offered online
- Motion
 - Move that Ad Board approve Regathering recommendation as outlined
 - Motion to approve Nick (1st), Wayne (2nd). Motion was approved.

Church & Society Team Formation Proposal

- Motion
 - Confirm the Church & Society Team proposal and vote on 6 – 9 members on June 6
 - Motion to approve Wayne (1st), Jan (2nd). Motion was approved.

Edgewater Emmanuel Funds Proposal

- Motion
 - Proposal to issue funds to group supporting developmental disabilities
 - Discussion regarding approval
 - Wayne moved to accept motion and Jerry seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

OTHER BUSINESS

Summer Support (Nate and Hope)

- Onsite meeting June 27
- Creating Awareness Event task force – support for children and family-oriented outreach events
- Children’s Council and Event Council

MCCI Update (Nate)

- Collecting data

Financial Update

- Cash balance positive (as of 5/15/2021 \$421,954 in checking account)
- PPP Plan (\$206k) successfully forgiven. However, they can come back for 6 years.
- Caring for Children
 - Up to 74 children enrolled and others on a waiting list

SPRC Chair

- Nick Dewey, on behalf of the Ad Board, thanked Jan Kirchner for her many years as SPRC Chair leadership. Her time and talent have blessed the church.
- Wayne Johnson has agreed to serve as the new SPRC chair

Pastor’s Report

- Attendance is slightly down
- Sermon recently included in Sojourners
- Nate will be exploring a potential renewal leave

Next Meeting: Tuesday, July 27 2021 @ 7:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by Lisa Oster