

LB meeting Jun 16, 2015

Tom called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

John Lohr shared a devotion and Mark Matney shared his story.

Present:

Pam Dumont

Pam Klepec

Mark Matney

John Lohr

Terry Bossieux

Carl Timmer

Tom Hassler

Gary Allen (on phone)

Pastor Mike

Jeff Koob

Wayne Harbaugh

Stephanie Turner

Update on facility usage by 2 churches

Pastor Mike said that MLT met with City Life on June 23 for their first sit-down meeting together. They also met today with Faithful Remnant's Pastor Jose and wife. Pastor Mike wants to establish good, clear, honest, complete communication with both groups. Jeff will form contracts with City Life who want to start the Sunday after Labor Day or the last Sunday in August. Faithful Remnant currently has no building. Nothing financial was discussed.

Pam D. wanted to know if the costs to run the facility have changed from year to year. Could we use that data to set rent? Jeff replied that we now have a much better handle on utilities with much more efficient HVAC programming.

Simple Church status

See the attached sheet from Pastor Mike for the main report. Gary wanted to know what teaching resources/skills/gifts were available for adult Sunday school. This should help us decide how to orient the class. John and Terry don't want to target a specific group (be exclusionary), but instead want to do what helps the most people. Gary wanted to know when the class would meet. Pastor Mike has no plans to alter the worship times and sees us starting this in September.

3E process update

Stephanie Turner said the congregation members want to be a part of this ministry. Right now MLT is at the stage of surveying the congregation's strengths and resources to see where they can help. People can shadow a coordinator, like Tammy, to see how things are done in 3E. This will be a learning process for us. A survey has been put together with the Trustees to cover all areas. There are opportunities to do many

things. Servant leader coordinator training is available on July 18th and 25th. Getting the training does not obligate one to be a coordinator. 3E has handbooks for guidance.

Grant update

Stephanie Turner said a neighborhood and a motel will be targeted. Ministry will be on Tuesday, once a week for 8 weeks starting the last week in June. Two college students from the congregation, Caroline Utne and Megan Turner, will be the interns on this project.

The Midlands will be the neighborhood. Berkeley Realty wants to partner with us. Plans include VBS for pre-K through 5th and dinner for the whole family. The motel is the Pineapple Inn whom we already have a relationship with. Their kids go to Elves' corner, and we take food there.

Finances

Jeff Koob said May had a surplus of \$4,475. Preschool is good. Our building fund should last to May of 2016. We'll make a full apportionment payment this month. Actual cash is greater than it's been in a while. Natalie Luedde was hired in the preschool.

Ad Hoc report

Terry said the team is waiting for the preschool accreditation to finish before starting to work on preschool related items on the list. We need to market this church. How do we start a marketing team? Staff is keeping tabs on who is no longer coming to New Town.

Terry made a motion to create an Ad Hoc Publicity Team to let the community know about New Town UMC. This was seconded by Pam D. who also wants to be on that committee. John also wants to be on the committee, but not as chairman. Pastor Mike will announce an invitation for additional members. Gary liked the pastoral letter that went out and also wants a message about what's coming in the next service in a weekly email. Vote on the motion was a unanimous approval.

LB Chair remarks

Tom made a motion to pass the LB minutes of the last 2 months. It was approved.

Round table remarks

Wayne said 7 out of 9 members were at the Trustees meeting.

Jeff said the windows ordered for the parsonage needed to be remade since they were the wrong size. Use of the parking lot for AVI next door required an easement to attach to the transformer behind the building. Conduit for fire alarm was fixed for \$155 instead of \$2k due to volunteer labor.

Stephanie reminded all of the June 26th picnic.

Pam K. thought that giving the 2 renting churches a 6 month contract was not as fair as a 1 year contract. Gary agreed. Pam D. disagreed and likes 6 months.

Tom said Mike Guminsky has been at Mt Vernon UMC for an internship, still has 1 year in seminary, and will be assigned as at conference as a part-time local pastor.

Pastor Mike appreciated what everyone was doing and was gearing up for the fall. Will take vacation next week and a week in August. Said the we were in a good place.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 pm.