

**Leadership Board Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, January 22, 2019**

***“Love God. Love Others. Share Christ with the World.”***

**LOCATION:** New Town United Methodist Church, Monticello Ave., Williamsburg, VA

**ATTENDEES**

**Board Members:** Carl Timmer (Chair), Peg Williams (Vice-Chair), Rick Machamer, Michael Diggs, Dorothy Freneaux, Pastor Garry Livermon, Pastor Marie Allen, Tammy Rojek, Jim Wright, Chris Woodfin, Scott Dormire, and Richard Collins (Trustee Representative)

**Guests:** none

**I. Devotional**

**Peg** open prayer

**Peg** gave the devotional “Words”

**II. Appointment of new LB members**

**Chris** MOTION to approve Rick Machamer and Tammy Rojek for another term and Scott Dormire for a new term.

**Peg** SECOND

**PASSED** Unanimous

**III. Selection of New Officers**

**LB Committee voted in the following:**

**Chair** – Michael Diggs

**Vice Chair** – Carl Timmer

**SPR Chair** – Chris Woodfin

**Treasurer Chair** – Rick Machamer

**Nomination Chair** – Dorothy Freneaux

**Secretary** – Tammy Rojek

**Sub Committee Members:**

**Finance** – Rick Machamer, Jim Wright and Michael Diggs

**SPR** – Chris Woodfin, Peg Williams and Carl Timmer

**Nominations** – Dorothy Freneaux, Scott Dormire and Tammy Rojek

**IV. Approval of minutes**

**Peg** MOTION to approve minutes

**Chris** SECOND

**PASSED** Unanimous

**V. Treasurer’s Report**

**Rick** handed out the following:

- 2019 Budget
- 2018 Budget with expenses
- 2018 Financials
- 2018 Designated Funds
- 2018 Church Tithe

Rick reported that December 2018 was the highest offering month which greatly balanced the surplus and deficit for the year. The board agreed that we should continue communicating the needs of the church to the congregation.

## **VI. New Tithe Policy & Tithe Distribution**

**Carl** shared a tithe policy that he had composed. The board discussed and agreed it is important to complete and issue the policy to protect the church and avoid any conflicts of interest. Also the policy would give direction on how to add new ministries to the list, who can or cannot be on the list, and how to solicit ministry suggestions from the congregation. It was suggested that a sub-committee meet to discuss and compose the new policy – Carl Timmer and Michael Diggs volunteered. They will share the policy in an upcoming meeting for group discussion.

### **\$4785.00 was allotted for the January Tithe Distribution**

Since a new tithe policy is being composed, only \$2250.00 was dispersed. The balance will be rolled over to February. The \$2250.00 was divided between the six attending the Cuba mission trip in April (\$375.00 each). On a side note – the January love offering was designated for those attending the Cuba mission trip also.

## **VII. Pastor's Report**

**Pastor Garry** shared:

- Elf's Corner was featured in the Advocate magazine.
- Alpha starts a new group on Monday, February 4, 2019.
- Six will be attending the Cuba mission trip.
- Becky will begin a new 6 week bible study on Tuesday mornings 9:30am-11:00am. The topic will be the Tabernacle.
- He asked for open prayer and future discussion for a "fresh expression" church to be held at the Prayer Room. Details to follow.

**Pastor Marie** shared:

- She just returned from a two week mission trip to Wycliffe Bible Translators in Florida. Peg coincidentally was also in Florida and was able to assist Pastor Marie.
- She asked for prayer as she faces her final Ordination next Monday, January 28.

## **VIII. New Vision Statement**

**Michael** will lead an effort to develop a new vision statement. There have been previous discussions, but a focused effort is needed. Michael shared that in developing a new vision we need to start with prayer and consider – Who are we and where did we come from? How are we doing? What has God called us to be? What is our dream of a future together?

The board will need to speak to those in the congregation and the church ministries for input. Richard Collins shared some background - the church was strategically built next to the Courthouse to reiterate the importance of the relationship between the Church

and State that we can co-exist together. This was important to the Casey family in giving the land to New Town. Most on the board did not know this.

#### **IX. Other**

**Peg** shared that the LB Retreat will be held March 2, 2019 at the Allen's home. Each member selected a scripture from a list she passed out, each will pray and share why this particular scripture is important to them at the retreat. Also a signup sheet for the 2019 devotions was passed around.

**Chris shared** that the appointment review paperwork was completed. Each member reviewed and signed the document so that it could be submitted.

**Pastor Marie** led an open time of gratitude for Carl's incredible service. Each member shared how Carl impacted them personally and impacted the church. Here are a few adjectives shared describing Carl, "Humble, Committed, Selfless, Always Smiling and a Warrior."

#### **X. Prayer together**

**Carl** closed the meeting with prayer.

**XI. Next LB meeting is scheduled for February 19, 2019.**