

April 2022 Board Meeting - Wednesday, April 6, 2022

Meeting was opened at 7:06pm with a devotion and prayer from Bob Waller.

March board minutes approved as presented.

Attendance

Blake Otto, Scott Larson, Brian Mohr, Doane Brubaker, Joe Brandt, Ken Schwoerer, Bob Waller, Janice Reimer, Jeanise Frank, Melinda Hartter

Correspondence

Letter received from Kyle and Nettie Embry (Chris Mohr's brother & his wife) with information on what they're doing in Nigeria and possible needs they may have. Due to their travel visas, they could only stay 30 days, so they are back in the States until permanently moving to Nigeria, hopefully in the Fall. Board agreed to consider sponsoring them and will then pass onto the Outreach Committee to pursue further.

MW

No updates. Next MW will be Thursday, April 21.

Outreach

Along with the above mentioned sponsorship, other projects typically occur later in the year.

Scholarship Fund

No change.

FEC committee

Ken, Scott, Doane and Janice will be the committee. Will plan to meet before the next board meeting.

Financial Report

Church giving has covered expenses, so we have not needed to use any money from parsonage fund.

Trustee Report

Entrance - Entrance shelter for the elevator is continuing to make progress, as the weather allows.

Cleaning - Custodians are doing well, will continue using the current company unless someone else is interested.

Kitchen - Blake spoke with Annie who is working with a contractor to get some layout ideas and quotes for the kitchen update; should have these in the next month or two. The contractor is not available until summer.

Attic above Doane's office - Obtained quote of \$2100 for making a bigger opening and installing a folding ladder plus time/material for sealing up the attic area. Motion made to approve the ladder being done. Also mentioned was the need to emphasize extra care when sealing the attic, as this is where the wiring for the organ is located.

Bathrooms - Flooring samples have arrived, so those need to be looked at and a decision made. Also noted was the need for a new faucet fixture in the men's bathroom; Joe and Ken will fix this.

Pastor Report

Abundant Life is still open and continuing ministry. Doane received clarification on the confusion from last month, stating that they are able to be a temporary type shelter during the coldest months, which ended March 8 this year. This is when people are told they have to find different shelter during the night. Abundant Life plans to become licensed so they can be a fully functioning, state-approved warming center.

Upcoming dates Doane will be gone: May 15th, Phil Sommer will be preaching; June 26th, possibly Doug Habbeger. Kyle Embry was discussed as someone we could invite to preach, so the church can meet him and his family (this would be a Sunday Doane was home).

Old Business

No reports given on results from the Mennonite Relief Sale or the FFC meal fundraiser. Kathy has begun working on the new directory.

Youth Group

No updates

VBS - volunteer sign-up for bringing food for Thursday and Friday is on the bulletin board. Some type of boxed lunch was suggested; Scott volunteered to pick up and deliver the food.

Upcoming Dates

Next board meeting will be May 4th, 2022.

Maundy Thursday service start time changed to 6:30 from 7:00

Barb and Kathy will get palm leaves for Palm Sunday

Free Sale is May 14

FEC discussion/name change

After more discussion on the name change and what this means, it was concluded that more prayer is needed before any conclusion will be made. Also discussed asking for some guidance and advice from our FEC contact about this matter. Everyone was encouraged to be extra prayerful (especially for the FEC committee), as we continue to move forward.

The meeting was closed in prayer by Doane at 8:43pm .

Respectfully submitted,
Melinda Hartter

Secretary