

Disciples Christian Church Cabinet Meeting
August 17, 2015

Lynne Shaw, Vice President, opened the meeting with prayer at 7:00pm. Present were Lynne Shaw, Adele Moore, Pat Brown, Carol Smith, Ed Smith, Joe Brown, Roger Alexander, Kay Bjornen, Becky Johnson, Patrick Johnson, Jenith Mashek, Cindy Bennett, Bill English, Carol Hildebrand, and M'Lis Jenkins. Minutes from the July 20th meeting have been posted and reviewed. Lynne handed out a financial statement, see attached sheet. Last month the checking balance was \$53,000. On August 16 the balance is \$33,783.79.

The party to celebrate of Bill's ministry will be after church on August 30. Cindy Bennett reported that plans have been made. The committee could use some help on Saturday at 10:00am. to set up tables in the Fellowship Hall.

Kay, Education Chair, said that the commission will be meeting this Sunday to plan a simple Celebration Sunday to begin the Fall Sunday School program. It will probably be on Labor Day. Maggie Humble and Barbara Failing will help Kay with the middle school students. Rather than traditional curriculum they will have one Sunday a month with a breakfast and asking what the class would like to study. One Sunday each month will be a service project. The plan for youth will be to transition into a Sunday evening program instead of Wednesday. Leah will be taking a few months for maternity leave, but expects to be back.

Roger, Outreach Chair, reported on Family Promise. Twelve congregations in Bartlesville have committed to the program. M'Lis Jenkins is founder. Our church's turn will be October 4-11. Kay said that information will be coming in the Disciplegram about volunteer needs. The church will need to supply bedding, hand towels and wash cloths, paper goods. There will be a short training program for volunteers at our church on Sept. 27 after church. Family Promise will be using a Seekers of Success van to bring cots to the church. It will be parked on our lot during that week.

Roger reported that Casa Hispana will be using our church kitchen for tamale making. Millie Capaletti, the Casa Hispana director, is in charge of this fund raiser. The dates will be Sept. 21-25th, three days from those dates. It is expected that they will make between \$5000 and \$10000 which is about a third of the Casa Hispana budget. Volunteers from our church are needed to help.

There will be a called Board Meeting Sunday, August 23, after church to hear a recommendation from the Interim Pastoral Search committee. Becky said there will be a regular Board Meeting in September, the date not yet set.

Adele reminded the group of the Elder Retreat on Oct. 17 at Phillips Theological Seminary. She will be asking for \$300 from our Board for expenses as this is not budgeted.

Carol Smith showed the new design for the sign on south 75 highway. It will replace a very faded sign promoting our church. Cindy Bennett created the design.

A fund raiser for the Car Repair Fund will be Sept. 17. It will be a dinner at East Cross Methodist Church. It will also honor Gordan Grant as a founder.

Becky announced that Patrick has agreed to be worship chair, taking Bill's place, through the rest of the year.

Bill gave his Pastor's Remarks. He would like being able to keep his lap top. His expenses for the General Assembly will only be about \$150 as Connie had a hotel room provided because of her staff position. When calling a new minister, the church will need to consider health insurance in the expense. Bill has been on Connie's insurance plan. They plan to honor their pledge to the church for the remainder of the year. He will meet with the worship commission to line up worship service responsibilities for the next two months. He hopes to call on our shut-ins in the next two weeks. He will miss all of us "but it is time."

The next Cabinet meeting will be Sept. 21. The meeting was adjourned by singing "Go Now in Peace".

Respectfully submitted,

Jenith Mashek
Recording Secretary