

DISCIPLES CHRISTIAN CHURCH GENERAL BOARD
AUGUST 14, 2016

The General Board of DCC met at 3:00pm at Disciples Christian Church. Kay Bjornen opened the meeting with prayer. Members present were Kay Bjornen, Scott Taylor, Larry Cowan, Adele Moore, Jenith Mashek, Kari-Anne Grant, Marit Grant, Joe and Pat Brown, Carol Smith, Lynne Shaw, Cindy and Kevin Bennett. Minutes of the July 16, 2016 board meeting were approved.

Treasurer Tim Collins sent an email update saying that the checking account balance is \$78,060.60. The saving account balance is \$29,469.46, most of which is designated. Our cash flow is in reasonably good shape. He reported that the bank to bank processing has been successful. Two families have given their offering via bank to bank transfers for the past two months. He feels that it is time to open this up to any other families that might be interested in this process. He will write up an article for the Disciplegram with information and asking people to contact him if they would like to be set up for this method of giving. Also we have successfully tested the ability to directly deposit Scott's payroll.

Under Old Business Kay reported that the Search Committee has received profiles from the Regional Office and are attempting to talk with two candidates by phone each week. As they narrow down choices, they will determine whom they would like to personally interview.

Family Promise has been on hold until the new fire code law goes into effect on November 1. Joe met with Fire Chief John Banks to determine what the church needs to do to meet the fire code regulations. The church was deficient in two areas. One was the fire alarm system. Joe asked Glenn Security to install that this past week at a cost of \$880. Holtz Electric will hook it up to electricity and will monitor it for \$60 a month. There is a Door Chime Security System which would have a camera set up at the door and could be connected to a smart phone. This would allow someone in the office to know who is wanting access to the building. The cost for this would be \$200 plus \$30 a year to service.

Joe did some research on the Knox Box which would give the Fire Department immediate access to the building in case of fire. The cost would be \$324 plus \$30 a year for maintenance. Joe said that we could replace glass in a door that they might need to break to get into the building. Joe moved that we not spend funds for this feature. It was seconded by Carol. The motion carried.

Kay mentioned that we still are in need of a back-up nursery worker for when Della needs to be away. It is a paid position.

New Business:

Kari-Anne reported for the youth that she has met with several church youth ministers and they are planning some meetings together. St. James offered to hold the first group dinner. The youth have done a wonderful job repainting and cleaning up their room. They would like to have the flooring replaced with some laminate flooring. It was suggested that the Memorial

Fund is a possible place to get those funds. They are trying to find someone to take the large desk that was in the youth room.

Kay said that it is time for our Stewardship Campaign to be in the planning stages. Mike Bouvier is Chair of the Stewardship commission.

Marit mentioned for Children's Church that Dee Lynd and Cynthia Naylor have resigned as leaders for Children's Church. She has recruited Kari-Anne and Eli Holder to fill those positions.

Lynne volunteered to get email meeting notices out to members for Board and Cabinet meetings as well as sending minutes of previous meetings to people. She also offered to see if Lori, the church secretary, needs any help with keeping the church calendar updated.

Scott gave the pastor's report. He received a letter from Bill Tabbernee about the Oklahoma Conference of Churches, an interfaith organization. They are considering honoring Bill English for the work he has done through his ministries for social justice in Oklahoma. Scott will do some research on this.

He handed out the church "Guidelines for a Loving Congregation" which is printed in the front of our hymnals. He suggested that with a new minister coming, the church ought to be looking at these. The elders will look at them on Thursday evening and perhaps make some suggestions for how to help the congregation go over them.

Scott reported that plans for the Faith in Action Sunday on Sept. 11 are underway. Possible projects are:

- Survival kits for firemen/policemen
- Visit assisted living/nursing homes, prayer cards delivery
- Housing coalition rehab projects – paint a house
- City Parks Cleanup
- Pump gas and wash windshields @Casey's
- Free lunches for 14th St. handout
- CONCERN Birthday bags

An old-time church picnic dinner and worship will be held Sunday evening. Scott would like to have a tee-shirt printed for people to purchase and wear as they work in the community. The youth have one which is a good design.

Scott mentioned looking into the possibility of the church van driving the Pelivan route on Sunday mornings, giving advance notice to people who regularly ride that we would bring them to Disciples CC and then return them to their stop after church. He closed with a meditation.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenith Mashek, recording secretary