

**CABINET MEETING**  
**Disciples Christian Church**  
**February 16, 2015**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Lynne Shaw, vice president. She opened the meeting with prayer. In attendance were Lynne Shaw, Bill English, Betty Sapp, Tim Collins, Roger Alexander, Kay Bjornen, and Jenith Mashek. Minutes of the January 18 meeting were approved.

Under old business, Lynne mentioned that the Trustees' names have not yet been put on the Arvest account. Betty Sapp said that she will follow up on that. Lynne said that she will contact Evan Zorn

Betty Sapp reported for Stewardship that we are \$4000 in the black as of the end of January.

Lynne gave a report on the upcoming Church Birthday Party to be held on Sunday, March 8, at 6:00pm. The theme is The Oscars. The program is being planned by Kevin Bennett. Cindy Bennett has designed invitations and posters. Decorations and red carpet have been purchased. Costs will hopefully be covered by donations. Patrick and Becky Johnson are providing the meat. Members will bring side dishes. Lynne will ask Laurie Collins if she would be willing to put together gift baskets for new members. To date that would be Treva Wiseman, Mike and Gina Vaught.

Lynne asked the question "how do we get information to our members who are over 70 ½ concerning charitable giving?" Do we need to have printed information or a forum to answer questions? Givers need an account number from the church for transferring gifts. Jerry Bork has set up that account. Betty said that Stewardship will handle this.

Kay reported from the Education Commission. The children's Sunday school is struggling. They have concerns that the Safety Committee is not functioning. A hall monitor on Sunday mornings would help when there are not two teachers available. Some teachers have never had an OSBI check which our policy requires. The youth are active and growing in numbers. Leah Conklin is working so well with our youth.

Roger reported that Outreach has worked out how they will spend the \$20,000 budgeted for Outreach giving. They eliminated a lot of the small donations to organizations as many of our members give larger donations than what the church can do. He mentioned our involvement in Family Promise which will begin this year. With the mission trips to Nicaragua, the congregation is feeling more a part of outreach.

Bill reported for the Worship Commission. Ash Wednesday is this week. The service will be focused around silence. The Redeemer Lutheran Church will be joining us. They have invited us to worship with them on Maundy Thursday. We will have a Good Friday service and a Sunrise Easter Sunday service. There will be an attempt made to shorten the announcements

made before worship services. As many as possible will be projected on the screens during the service.

The "Shared Vision" objectives for Disciples Christian Church were handed out. This is a five year vision and we need to determine a way to get a handle on how to meet these challenges.

The question was asked "how do we coordinate programs?" We possibly should look at our church programs and see if the way we structure committees is the way to meet our needs. Presently there are groups within the church who form their own structure to accomplish their goals rather than functioning through our commissions. The cabinet was in agreement that for the present we will get the commission heads together to set up programs beginning with our next cabinet meeting. During that meeting we will look at the church calendar, along with the liturgical calendar, placing events on it and determining where help is needed from other commissions. Each cabinet member should bring his/her calendar along with program planning from his/her commission. Lynne will have a printed copy of the church master calendar to which we will add.

Our next meeting date will be March 16. Meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenith Mashek