

DISCIPLES CHRISTIAN CHURCH

BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

JUNE 26, 2014

The meeting of the General Board of Disciples Christian Church was called to order by the president, Becky Johnson at 7:07 p.m. Voting members present were: Becky Johnson, Lynne Shaw, Mary Helen Buttman, Betty Sapp, Marit Grant, Edward Smith, Carol Smith, Babe Addington, Patrick Johnson and Nelda Wilson. (Ten members equals a quorum.) Also attending were Bill English, pastor, and Nancy Carr.

Copies of the **minutes** from the March 27, 2014 meeting were distributed and members were given time to read through them. A motion to accept the minutes as written was made by Carol Smith and seconded by Babe Addington. The motion was approved.

The **financial report** was presented by Betty Sapp. (The report is attached.) Budget receipts to date are \$96,864.02 which represents 51% of the budgeted \$189,912.00. Expenses through 6/26/2014 total \$122,689.23 which is 46.76% of the budget. The checking account balance (including Restricted Payables) is \$24,361.45 and the Savings (Money Market) balance is \$52,102.80. Betty recommends that at the end of the year we need to close out all accounts and start over, getting rid of the accounts that have been “hanging on” for years and some that we’re not familiar with. Patrick Johnson, Worship chairman, said that the \$9,050.00 budgeted amount for worship can be reduced by 20% making it \$7,240.00 of which \$1,266.35 has been spent. The remaining balance for worship is \$5,973.61. Bill English reported that the 50th Birthday Party expenses will be less than the \$3500 allotted and funds may be reimbursed from Savings.

Old business:

House and Grounds—Becky Johnson who was among those attending a meeting with Jim Mitchell and Mary Beth Westerfield from the Board of Church Extension on June 11 gave a report on their discussion. If DCC decides to do a Capital Campaign we will need to wait until the first of 2015 and we will need to have the support of the congregation. Church Extension does not make 100% loans but maybe 95%. Information was given about “Green Loans”. Some rates are 3.75% on a one-year payback and 3.99% on 3-year term. Church Extension would work with us on designing a Capital Campaign. Becky said that we would get feedback at the September Board meeting and have a special meeting in November to decide to ask for congregational approval. A congregational vote could be taken in December.

Edward Smith, House and Grounds co-chair, distributed two papers—one titled, “Bids Received for Disciples Christian Church Repair Work” and the other called “Low Estimates”. (Those documents are attached.) The Bids Received are for Parking lot resurfacing and widening driveways in the amounts of \$56,700 and \$64,000, Window Replacements (\$47,492.97 and \$33,157.64) and Stained Glass Protection (\$5,388.78), and Reroofing Steeple (\$8,400). On the Low Estimates there was an additional estimate for removal of one Bradford Pear tree at \$600.

As an alternative to the high-cost asphalt overlay, bids were received for asphalt paving/chip and seal at \$2265.00 and west parking, seal coat and striping at \$4845.00. In lieu of replacing all windows, a bid of \$927.81 for replacing broken windows and windows in the office only. There are water leaks reported in the men's bathroom and the choir room which should be covered by the contractor who did the most recent roofing work on the building. Joe Brown knows who should be contacted. House and Grounds will meet in August to discuss the bids received.

New Business:

Deacons—since there is no deacon chairperson, Bill Inglish proposed a schedule of deacons for the remainder of the year. Each team of 4 will be sent an email reminding them that they are scheduled to serve on the following Sunday.

Van—It has been discovered that the church van is needs some attention. When some parents started out to pick up children at Camp Christian, one problem after another developed—dead battery, worn-out windshield wiper blades, very bad tires, dirty interior and expired registration. All of those problems have been taken care of now. Maintaining the church van is under the trustees' responsibilities.

Directory—the DCC directory is smaller this time. Lynne Shaw, DCC vice-president, also discussed the church website and all of the ways it can be used. She requested that all calendar updates and additions go to disciplescalendar@gmail.com

A-V donation—Carol Ann Hildabrand, outgoing Worship chairman, said that she and another church member have made contributions that will cover the purchase of needed audio-visual equipment.

Budget for remainder of 2014—In July commissions need to start working on their budgets.

Other New Business—Becky has discovered giant cobwebs in the corners of the sanctuary and thinks that the cleaning crew should remove them.

Carol Ann Hildabrand submitted a letter of resignation from leadership of the Worship Commission, stating that she will still be an active member of the commission.

Marit Grant read a statement from herself and Gordon Grant. They feel that we need to start planning programs to attract young families.

Senior Minister Report:

Bill reported that the summer temp secretary is Tera Schooley and that she is doing a good job. Bill still has 1 month of his sabbatical and will be gone to New York City, Alaska and to one more retreat, in Wisconsin

Commission Updates: None.

It was reported that Vera Jean Hicks had long but successful surgery and will recuperate at Adams PARC. Jim Vogh was in CCU for a few days but is home now.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 p.m. with the singing of "Go Now in Peace".

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Helen Buttman, Recording Secretary

