

## Governing Board Minutes

November 19, 2019 – **APPROVED 1/28/2020**

Greg Carstensen led with the devotion, “Dad, Where Are You?” He talked about trusting God and reminded us that God is with us, within us, and goes before us.

### **Call to Order**

Vice President Kurt Kromminga called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm. Board members Anne Sheeley, Brian Frantum, Jennifer Jaschen, Ruth Ebke, Martha Raecker, Greg Carstensen, and Craig Grundmeier were present. Also present were Senior Pastor Joe Meyer, Executive Director Chris Thomson, and Facility Director Greg McDaniel. Scott Strachan was absent.

### **Consent Agenda and Minutes**

Brian Frantum made a motion to approve the minutes. Martha Raecker seconded. The motion passed.

### **Reports**

Senior Pastor Joe Meyer’s report:

- a. Pastor reported that \$1,700 in gift cards have been collected so far for a family we are helping in Pacific Junction. We will be sending them \$400/week until the funds are exhausted.
- b. Christmas With A Cause (led by Pastor Ben, Deb Timmons, and Karen Kennedy) was a huge success. Pastor noted that he has been looking for a second annual ministry to go alongside Single Mom’s Morning Out. This could be it.
- c. We will start the FLC/Kitchen remodel after Single Mom’s Morning Out in 2020 (with some work being done this winter – bathrooms and entryway for example).

Executive Director Chris Thomson’s report:

- a. With the first week of pledge collections in, we have over \$900,000 pledged toward the general fund (\$49,000 coming from new pledgers) and \$223,000 pledged toward the renovation. These are solid, encouraging numbers – a very good start.
- b. October giving was down 8% from last year. Chris did not check to see if we received a large donation during that time last year. For the quarter, we are still up 1% over last year.
- c. Attendance is up.

Brian Frantum’s financial report:

- a. We continue to be in a very strong financial position. We have \$330,000 in free cash on hand, which is enough to cover almost two month’s expenses
- b. Liquidity is strong

### **Current Discussion and/or Action Items**

- a. Interest in the officer positions came in, as follows: Scott Strachan – President, Kurt Kromminga – Vice President, Martha Raecker – Treasurer, and Craig Grundmeier – Secretary. Anne Sheeley made a motion to approve having each of those individuals placed in their position of interest for the coming year. Jennifer Jaschen seconded. The motion passed.
- b. A governing board social event was discussed for the month of January. We will settle on something, and whoever is interested can come.

### **Housekeeping**

- a. Anne Sheeley will have the January devotional.
- b. The next governing board meeting will be January 21<sup>st</sup>.

### **Adjournment**

The Governing Board meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm, followed by the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Craig Grundmeier