

GDLC Board Meeting 10.19.21 – **APPROVED 11/16/21**

Jessie provided the devotion on healing, referring to Psalm 148.

Call to Order

President Kurt Kromminga called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Board members Craig Grundmeier, Martha Raecker, Greg Carstensen, Scott Strachan, Brian Frantum, Jessie James and Jacque Thole were also present. Ruth Ebke was not in attendance. Senior Pastor Joe Meyer and Executive Director Chris Thomson were also present.

Consent Agenda and Minutes

Jessie James made a motion to approve the minutes from the September meeting. Craig Grundmeier seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Reports

Senior Pastor's report:

1. From Renovation to Replication will be pushed after the annual meeting after he has a chance to discuss it with the members. Will bring back the Connection/Weekly Word card.
 - a. Goal is to pay down \$1 million in 5 years.
2. Pastor recommends adjusting the schedule for Board meetings (to not meet in October as it is the same month as the Annual Meeting – instead of not meeting in June)
3. Joppa video was received well, with gratitude for speaking about it.
4. Kenton Lee (from "The Shoe that Grows") will be here this weekend (October 23/24).

Executive Director Chris Thomson's report:

1. Overall cash balance is up a bit from this time 12 months ago. When considering the servicing debt on the renovation, the pandemic, changes internally over the 12 months, it's pretty amazing that we have faithful members giving to their church.
2. Chris continues to be thankful where we are at. We have seen a slight decrease in giving, but nothing significant that doesn't allow us to remain within budget.
3. There was a question about if the # of households giving are increasing/decreasing or if the amount each household is giving is increasing/decreasing. Chris said that pledges from '21 to '22 are increasing but will look into the data.

Financials report (Martha): Unusual September, giving was down 7% from last year at this time, but it is still over budget by 4.75%. Income is still down ~9-10%, but over budget by 9.5%. Like we saw last month, expenses are up, being over budget by \$20k, but \$16k was a planned overspend for the new cameras. YTD net profit is \$8,187. The P/L comparison from last year was the camera upgrade, everything else was mostly on target for budget.

Current Discussion and/or Action Items

1. Annual Meeting Prep
 - a. Ballots – Kurt is asking for 2-3 ballot counters. Martha, Jessie, Scott and Jacque will help.
 - b. During the meeting, Kurt will give an update on the Foundation.

2. Pastor Review MAT

- a. Kurt is wanting to confirm names to form the MAT. A list of potential members was derived and will be contacted until a team of five members is established.

Housekeeping

1. The next Governing Board meeting will be November 16th at 6pm. Scott Strachan will provide the devotion.

Adjournment

The Governing Board meeting was adjourned at 7:26 pm, followed by the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Jacque Thole