

GDLC Board Meeting 9.20.22 – **APPROVED 11/15/22**

Pastor Joe led the Governing Board through Lead Gloria Dei – Chapter 4 “Being a Person of Grace”.

Call to Order

President Kurt Kromminga called the meeting to order at 6:50 pm. Board members Stefani Tanner, Craig Grundmeier, Steve Junge, Ruth Ebke, Greg Carstensen, Martha Raecker, Jessie James and Jacque Thole were also present. Senior Pastor Joe Meyer and Executive Director Chris Thomson were also present.

Consent Agenda and Minutes

Stefani Tanner made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 2022 meeting. Ruth Ebke seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Reports

Senior Pastor’s report:

1. Annual Report – Will be published for the congregation to have in 2 weeks.
2. Vision Dinner – Pastor has received positive feedback from the dinner.

Executive Director Chris Thomson’s report:

1. Financial Overview
 - a. August was a challenging month, giving was \$20k under budget and expenses were up to give a net loss of \$70k.
 - i. There was a lot of spending happening in August with capital improvements and general maintenance (Narthex entrances and curbing)
 - b. It is important to understand where we are at in a cash perspective. We are well above from what we budgeted. Giving continues to be holding steady, Expenses have been \$52k over budget for the year (have done all of the directed missions for the year, capital improvements/general maintenance) – some spending has been pulled ahead into the year.
 - c. Overall that puts us at a net loss of \$12k, but we have diligently worked on debt servicing and the bridge loan was paid off early
2. Mike Martens overspend request – this correlates with moving from part to full time.
 - a. Craig Grundmeier made a motion to approve the overspend to increase Mike Martens’ budget to \$6,500 for the 2022 budget. Jessie James seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Financials report (Martha): Income is down/under budget and expenses were \$40k over budget. She mentioned that October has 5 Sundays, which should help with giving amounts.

Current Discussion and/or Action Items

1. 2023 Budget
 - a. Greg Carstensen made a motion to approve the proposed 2023 budget. Martha Raecker seconded it. The motion passed.

2. Constitution and By Laws – These were reviewed by the Governing Board, with edits made to remove verbiage pertaining to the Board of Elders.
 - a. Jessie James made a motion to approve the changes made to the Constitution and By Laws to be presented to the Congregation at the Voters Assembly. Steve Junge seconded the motion. The motion passed.
3. Congregational Meeting
 - a. October 30th at 1pm
 - b. Paper ballots – Kurt is asking for volunteers to help count ballots.
4. Foundation – Meeting next week, working on ways to communicate out to the congregation
5. 2023 Board Officers
 - a. President – Craig Grundmeier
 - b. Vice President – this remains open, Jessie James is considering
 - c. Treasurer – Martha Raecker
 - d. Secretary – Jacque Thole

Housekeeping

1. The next Governing Board meeting will be November 15th at 6pm. Stefani will lead the devotion.

Adjournment

The Governing Board meeting was adjourned at 8:33 pm, followed by the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Jacque Thole