

GDLC Board Meeting 3.21.23 – **APPROVED 4/18/2023**

Call to Order

President Craig Grundmeier called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm. Board members Stefani Tanner, Jessie James, Martha Raecker, Ethan Muench, Craig Dueker, Wendy Kropf, Steve Junge and Jacque Thole were also present. Senior Pastor Joe Meyer and Executive Director Chris Thomson were present.

Consent Agenda and Minutes

Wendy Kropf made a motion to approve the minutes from the February meeting. Ethan Muench seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Reports

Executive Director Chris Thomson's report:

1. Chris remains optimistic as giving in February was up by \$26,637 or 17.5% and is 15% ahead of budgeted giving. Expenses were up \$7,782 or 4.19% from last year but still under budget.
2. Net income is now at \$42,067 for the year. We are \$39k ahead of budgeted giving and we have ~3.1 months of cash on hand
3. Tiny Treasures: Conducting two interviews the week of March 27th.
4. The congregation Synod assessment cost was \$5,727.50. This had not been budgeted for so credit card reward points were redeemed to cover \$5,000 of it. The rest was expensed out of #5061.

Financials report (Martha): Income was over budget by \$32,316 (19%) and expenses were \$1,173 under monthly budget projections. GDLC now has approximately 3.1 months' worth of cash on hand, an increase from 3.0 months in January. In looking at the Profit & Loss Comparison, from 5900 Facilities Budget, 5955 (Snow Removal) is up \$4,000 from last year due to weather and 5910 (Church Maintenance) has an increased expense due to a planned purchase of the SmartVac. From the 5800 Church Administration budget, line 5890 (Interest in Loans) is down \$1,000 due to debt paydown.

Senior Pastor Joe Meyer's report:

1. Attendance – We hit overall pre-Covid in person attendance in February with an average of 928 (compared to 714 in 2022).

Current Discussion and/or Action Items

1. By Laws Update
 1. The By Laws were updated, however there is an additional section in Article I 1.A that includes the word "present" in regards to the process to initiate a call of a pastor. This was struck through on the Google Doc.
 - i. Article I 1.A will now read as follows:
 1. In the event that a call needs to be issued either to replace a Senior Pastor or to fill a staff position, a Voter's Assembly shall be called to obtain a majority of those members ~~present at the meeting~~ to approve the initiation of the Call Process.

2. Craig Dueker made a motion to approve the amended Articles (Article 1.4, 2.4, 1.4B, 2.4C and 2.4D) in the By Laws. Jessie James seconded the motion. The motion carried.
3. These changes will be presented to the congregation for a vote.

Housekeeping

1. The next Governing Board meeting will be April 18th at 6pm. Steve will lead the devotion.
2. Upcoming Foundation Dinner – March 26th

Adjournment

The Governing Board meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm, followed by the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Jacque Thole