

Yreka United Methodist Church
Leadership Team Board Meeting
Minutes – October 19, 2023

Those Present: Chris Barre, Wes Kyle, Debby Whipple, Shawn Cortright, Lisa Raffaelli, Jim Frey, Bonnie Garvin and Nick Sinnott.

1. Open the meeting with prayer

Nick prayed us in and we opened the meeting at 5:40 pm.

2. Adoption of the agenda

Add Tailgaters discussion to the previous minutes. Chris moved to accept the agenda as amended. Jim seconded and the motion passed.

3. Review and approve minutes of previous meeting

Add that Tailgaters was discussed. Jim moved that we accept the minutes as amended. Debby seconded. Motion carried.

4. Congregational Comment

Pat Wernicke had inquired about the financial state of the Church. It was decided that Michael will copy the income and expense reports onto colored paper and post them on the Board in the Wesley room.

5. Old Business

a. Nominating committee status, we still need 3 positions filled

We are still in need of three more people. Pastor Mike was absent so this matter was tabled.

b. Board of Pension bill – update (Michael)

Michael reported that he was told by the Board of Pensions that we can catch up over time as we had not been billed for seven months. Discussion was had and Michael said he was currently paying \$200 a month extra. This figure was discussed, and Chris moved that we continue to pay the additional \$200 per month. Shawn seconded and the motion passed.

c. Zoom meeting with Laura Kimball (Board members have Audit Report)

Meeting with Laura Kimball happened over the phone. Our main question was why each year's balance was not rolled over from year to year. Laura explained that this

was the type of accounting that we currently used and that we start with a zero balance each year. Michael and Nick will look at our reports and see about using the balance of the previous year to answer our questions.

6. New Business

a. Correspondence (Michael)

Mountain Trails Walk to Emmaus proposed for extended facility use. They would like a three year agreement to utilize our facility for one to two walks per year with a payment of \$1,000.00 for facility use, all trash cost incurred and any utility cost overage that comes from them using the facility. We need to add snow removal. Shawn moved to accept the proposal with the addition of snow removal. Bonnie seconded. Motion carried.

b. Pastor's evaluation report. Copies were disbursed, no action taken.

This will be taken up in a special meeting.

c. Attachment of Conference schedule

We are not scheduled yet but we will be apprised of the time on another date. There was a handout in the packet.

d. Water (swamp) Cooler in Social Hall (Chris)

Chris stated that the swamp cooler in the Social Hall is putting really cold air out. Nick said that it will be weatherized in the next couple of weeks.

7. Board Report Questions

- Pastor He was not present at this meeting.

- Finance (Michael)

We currently have \$8,012 in the checking account which will not meet payroll and our other bills. We have \$20,104.20 in the Savings. Chris moved that we move \$5,000 from savings to checking. Jim seconded. Motion carried.

- Facilities (Nick)

Nick stated that they will be winterizing the facility. He and Wes have kept the lawns mowed.

- Congregational Care (Bonnie)

Bonnie talked to us about a volunteer survey asking people where they'd like to volunteer and what they'd like to see us do, bring back, etc. Michael will put this in the bulletin on Sunday. Michael will also put Bonnie's phone number in the bulletin.

- Prayer Ministry (Shawn)

There is nothing special happening at this time.

- Praise and Worship (Lisa)

She's proud of where the worship team is. Cheri is picking most of the music with Lisa.

- Staff Parish Relations Committee (Debby)

Debby asked if the Pastor had taken any additional course work such as CEU's. Pastor was not available to answer.

8.Executive Session If Needed

None needed.

9. Confirm next meeting – November 16, 2023, at 5:30 pm

10. Closing prayer and adjourn

Shawn prayed us out and the meeting was adjourned at 7:42 pm.