

Yreka United Methodist Church
Leadership Team Board Meeting
Minutes –November 16, 2023

Those Present: Chris Barre, Jim Frey, Lisa Raffaelli, Debby Whipple, Wes Kyle, Bonnie Garvin, Pastor Mike Bekstrom and Michael Raney. Sarah Frey was our guest.

1. Open the meeting with prayer

Wes Prayed us in and we opened the meeting at 5:37 pm

2. Adoption of the agenda

Chris moved that we accept the Agenda as submitted. Lisa Seconded. Motion carried.

3. Review and approve minutes of previous meeting

Chris Moved that we accept the minutes as submitted. Bonnie seconded. Motion carried.

4. Congregational Comment

None

5. Old Business

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

Pastor is working on this. Donna White is the nominating committee chair. Pastor would really like to see Donna on the Board.

b. Mountain Trails Walk to Emmaus proposal for extended facility use

Mountain Trails Walk to Emmaus has presented an extended a plan to use the Church for EMMAUS walks for the next three years. All contract items were addressed and accepted. Lisa moved that we accept the proposal as submitted. Debby Whipple seconded. Motion carried.

c. Swamp Cooler in Social Hall (Nick)

Nick was not present.

d. Attachment of Conference schedule

See below, item

1. New Business

a. Correspondence (Michael)

There was none.

b. Discussion on Charge Conference agenda.

We reviewed the Charge Conference list for the agenda and added the election of a recording secretary and honoring those that have gone on to the cloud of Witnesses.

- c. Discussion on when and how we notify our congregation about Charge Conferences. Michael will announce the Charge Conference on Sunday, put a notice in the bulletin and send out a reminder via email.**
- d. Discussion of Congregational Vitality Survey**
Tabled until we have a better understanding of what to do and how to do it.

7. Board Report Questions

- Pastor

Holy Spirit is moving in this place. Pastor met with the Pastor of the Father's house in Medford. They would like to use our Church to host a community dinner for the homeless. They will have busses pick the people up from up on the hill. What an outpouring of love. This was agreed to by all.

- Finance (Michael)

We have \$8,012 in the checking and \$15,104 in savings

- Facilities (Nick)

Nick was not present but Wes commented that the lawn will get mowed one more time for the year.

- Congregational Care (Bonnie)

There are some completed volunteer sheets but only a few. Michael will put them out in the bulletin on Sunday.

- Prayer Ministry (Shawn)

No Report

- Praise and Worship (Lisa)

- Staff Parish Relations Committee (Debby)

8. Executive Session If Needed

There was an executive session regarding Pastor's compensation.

9. Confirm next meeting – January 18, 2024 (There will not be a December Meeting.)

10. Closing prayer and adjourn