

Yreka United Methodist Church
Leadership Team Board Meeting
Minutes –January 18, 2024

Those Present: Chris Barre, Debby Whipple, Nick Sinnott, Jim Frey, Pastor Mike Bekstrom and Michael Raney

1. Open the meeting with prayer

Chris prayed us in and the meeting was called to order at 5:34 pm.

2. Adoption of the agenda

Chris moved that we accept the Agenda as amended. We added F. Wes Kyle stepped down. And G. The Charge Conference. Debby seconded. Motion carried.

3. Review and approve minutes of previous meeting

Chris moved that we accept the minutes as presented. Jim seconded. Motion carried.

4. Congregational Comment

None

5. Old Business

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

Donna White was asked to be a Board Member but she turned us down. She will remain Chair of the Nominating Committee. Pastor is talking to people. Nick has chatted with Jeff Chitwood.

b. Monthly Board meetings every other month.

Not at this time. We need to meet regularly.

c. Discussion of Congregational Vitality Survey

Tabled until we have a larger board. We will look at it in the future.

d. Swamp cooler and Boiler issues have been resolved

6. New Business

a. Correspondence (Michael)

Bill for new Insurance. \$3000.00. We received a donation of \$1,000.00 for the bill.

b. Future of Monthly Potlucks

We will have a potluck every month.

c. Putting the monthly income and the month's expenses in the bulletin

Michael will put this information into the Bridge each month.

d. Our Churches finances and action taken at this time

There was no action taken at this time. We plan to take our concerns to the congregation on January 28, 2024. Immediately after Church.

e. Lenten Calendar

Ash Wednesday Service is February 14th. We will have Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services. Easter is March 31st.

f. Wes Kyle's decision to step down was announced.

g. Charge Conference

Charge Conference is scheduled for February 11th. Nick will talk to Blake ahead of that time.

7. Board Report Questions

- Pastor – Very pleased to see how we are trying to get everything in order.**
- Finance (Michael) We talked about what we could do. See above. #6d.**
- Facilities (Nick) Everything has been winterized.**
- Congregational Care - Sarah submitted a report. It was read out to the meeting.**
- Prayer Ministry**
- Praise and Worship**
- Staff Parish Relations Committee (Debby)**

8. Executive Session If Needed

None needed

9. Confirm next meeting – February 15, 2024 at 5:30 pm

10. Closing prayer and adjourn

Nick prayed us out and the meeting was adjourned at 7:37 pm