

Yreka United Methodist Church
Leadership Team Board Meeting
November 17, 2022

Leadership Board Members Present: Chris Barre, Shawn Cortright - Cell, Sarah Frey, Tracie Lima, Ed Matthews, Melisa Raffaelli, Nick Sinnott, Vurl Trytten, Debby Whipple

Lay Members: Jim Frey

Others: Pastor Mike Bekstrom, Mike Raney

1. Open the meeting with prayer: Debby Whipple opened the meeting at 5:43 pm with prayer.
2. Adoption of the agenda: Melisa Raffaelli requested under New Business: Utilizing the Church's facilities by persons not attending church. Under New Business: Nick Sinnott added Church Audit. A motion was made by Sarah Frey, seconded by Melisa Raffaelli to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried.
3. Review and approve minutes of previous meeting: Sarah Frey requested the deletion of the last sentence under Finance Summery/Strong Women: 'She said the grant is 16 years old and needs to have it spent down.'
A motion was made by Chris Barre, seconded by Vurl Trytten to approved the October minutes as corrected. Motion carried.
4. Congregational Comment: None
5. Old Business
 - a. Next year's board members and their terms: Sarah Frey (October Meeting) announced that a nominating committee needs to be selected to create a list of new board members and term limits need to be established. Her term is up at the end of the year and she will not be renewing her term. Terms limits are:

Tracie Lima - Pending	Chris Barre - 2023	Nick Sinnott - 2024
Ed Matthews - Pending	Shawn Cortright 2023	Vurl Trytten - 2024
	Melisa Raffaelli - 2023	Debby Whipple - 2024
 - b. Finance:
 - 2023 Budget - Ed Matthews went over the fund codes on the budget and who needs to come up with a fund estimate on what amount needs to be covered in the budget for 2023. Everyone needs to contact the volunteers who will be working under the fund codes for their cost estimates. A small group will be formed to discuss the budget on Monday, November 21st 5pm at room 8 in the Education building.
 - c. Final Harvest Festival Report: Vurl Trytten reported that the festival was a huge success with a head count of 122 children. She would like to see it as an annual event.
6. New Business:
 - a. Correspondence: None
 - b. Finance:

- 2022 General Budget: Table 1 shows expenditures of \$189,822.87 with income of \$146,137.70 to date.
 - All Fund Summary: Table 2 shows the General Fund Balance of \$21,038.28.
 - Monthly Giving Trends: Table 3 shows the October giving amount up but the number of givers was down for the month of October.
- c. YUMC Mission Involvement: Sarah Frey submitted an outline of UMC six Giving Sundays on its calendar. Our local outreach programs are Tailgaters and the food pantry. Both are not heavily supported. She feels our congregation is not involved in our missions. We are not doing ministries beyond ourselves. She recommends that a new board member take part in the Mission Involvement. Nick Sinnott suggested the board members come up with a short list of missions the board wants to support and have the congregation check off on the ones they would like to get involved in.
 - d. Welcoming new folks to our congregation: Sarah Frey noted during the October meeting she pointed out that in the beginning of church when asked to pass the peace, members need to make sure to "pass the peace" to the people they don't know and not just with the members they do know.
 - e. New MTWE EMMAUS contract: Melisa Raffaelli reported that she drafted two new contracts with two different dates for the Fall of 2023. A motion was made by Nick Sinnott, seconded by Tracie Lima to approved proposed dates and get it on the calendar. Motion carried.
 - f. Utilizing the Church's facilities: Melisa Raffaelli wanted to know how many active members are in Tailgaters that are still using our church. It was pointed out that Tailgaters are a part of YUMC's outreach program.
 - g. Audit - Pastor Mike reported he talked to CPA Ron Coldwell from Redding about auditing the church's books. He will get the projected dates and cost.
7. Board Report:
- Pastor: The parish will be receiving a grant from UMCOR for \$10,000 to go toward the homeless and fire victims. He plans to purchase Walmart cards to hand out with the grant funds. At the next meeting, he will be submitting names for potential board members that the nominating committee will be submitting. Anyone working with children needs to be certified through Safe Gatherings and be fingerprinted.
 - Staff/Parish Relations: Debby Whipple reported a new custodian, Melissa, has been hired.
 - Finance: See above
 - Facilities: None
 - Congregational Care: Sarah Frey reported that several elders in the church are not coming to church and we need to care for them.
 - Prayer Ministry: None
 - Praise and Worship: None
8. Executive Session: None
9. Confirm next meeting - December 15, 2022, at 5:30 pm
10. Closing prayer and adjourn: Pastor Mike closed in prayer at 7:55 pm

Kathryn L Matthews