

GDLC Board Meeting 6.17.2025 – **APPROVED 8/19/25**

Opening

Opening prayer by Pastor Ben.

Devotion by Pastor Ben. (Isaiah 12)

Call to Order

President Steve Junge called the meeting to order at 6:40 pm. Board members present were Jacque Thole, Wendy Kropf, Melissa Woodruff, Nick Bass, Ethan Muench, Stefani Tanner and Craig Dueker. Also present were Lead Pastor Ben Johnson and Executive Director Chris Thomson. Beth Casady was absent.

Consent Agenda and Minutes

May 20, 2025 Minutes: Craig motioned to accept and Jacque seconded. Motion passed.

Reports

Director's Report (Brenden Pugh)

- Coming soon:
 - New projectors in the sanctuary
 - New monitors/TVs in areas to show service or information
- Want list:
 - FLC - wireless items for the stage to hide visible cables
- Future items:
 - How to train/grow the team going forward (training/informational sessions)
 - Volunteers vs paid positions
- Livestream
 - Looking at putting a host in studio room during livestream
 - Using chat function in future
- Board member photos taken for website

Sr. Pastor (Pastor Ben)

- Taste and See event postponed
- Ben visited Wildwood Ranch on a vision trip.
- Refugee/Immigrant Summit took place at GDLC
- Isaiah 1:17 project was launched

Executive Director (Chris Thomson)

- May giving was up 40.8% over last year, strongest May on record
- Ash trees need some dead limbs removed and a treatment applied
- Net income statement adjusted to correct computation error found by Nick

Financials (Nick Bass)

- N/A

Current Discussion and/or Action Items

Nominating Committee for Board Election

- Ethan and Craig are stepping off the Governing Board at the end of their term this year.
- President Steve Junge will submit a list of potential Nomination Committee members to the Board via email to be voted on/approved.

Senior Pastor Evaluation

- Evaluations sent out to all direct-report personnel to be filled out.

District Convention Summary (Steve and Ben)

- About 200 people in attendance
- Non-controversial votes and discussions; harmonious
- Rev. Paul Egger was selected as next IDW president
- Theme was "Generations"

Policy Manual Review (1. Ends/Outcomes)

- Wendy motioned to make changes to first paragraph of Ends/Outcomes. Steve seconded, motion passed.

Congregational Listening Post

- None

Housekeeping

Staff Birthdays: Lisa - July 14 (Wendy), Susan - Aug. 3 (Nick), James - Aug. 4 (Stefani), Elaine - Aug. 25 (Melissa)

Next meeting will be **August 19, 2025 (no July meeting)**.

Adjournment/Lord's Prayer

Steve adjourned the meeting at 8:12 pm with the Lord's Prayer.

Submitted by Wendy Kropf, Secretary.