

College Church University Avenue
2022 Regular Board Meeting #4
May 18, 2022 -- 6:30 PM

Board members present: Charles Carrigan, Rachel Greenawalt, Jeanette Martinson, Aaron Meyer, Jim Rankin, Jen Shride, Amy Smith, John Thomson

Board members absent: Jorge Bonilla, Sheldon Jones, Mark Lamping, Doug Nielsen, Kyle Olney

Staff members present Pastor Jen Johnson, Tim Mercer, Pastor Mark Quanstrom,

1. **DEVOTIONAL:** Pastor Mark shared from

2. **ADMINISTRATION**

- A. **ACTION:** Motion to approve the agenda adding business in the Finance section.(John Thomson/Rachel Greenawalt). Motion approved.
- B. **ACTION:** Mark Lamping reviewed the minutes from the March 2022 Meeting. (Aaron Meyer/Doug Nielsen) A motion was made to approve these minutes. Motion approved.
- C. Jen reviewed the Calendar found on the reverse side of the Agenda

3. **FINANCE**

- A. Tim Mercer reviewed the financial report through April 30, 2022. This report also includes the monthly comparisons of income and budget numbers. **ACTION:** Motion was approved to accept this report. (Chuck Carrigan/Jen Shride)
- B. Pastor Mark shared the update from the Salvage Yard Church and their efforts to build a hearse. This board voted last month to support their endeavors to acquire the hearse to be used in their outreach ministry. Pastor Mark reported to the board that they were able to raise all of the resources both monetary and equipment donations without the help of College Church. They are grateful for our support.

4. **FORWARD TOGETHER REPORT**

- A. Pastor Mark reported on the progress of the projects still to be completed.
 - Exterior/Interior Signage
 - Exterior Lighting
 - Painting

For most of these projects, we are waiting on bids to come in and contractors to show up.

5. **BUILDING AND PROPERTY**

- A. John Thomson reviewed the ongoing projects for the rest of the building.
 - KIDSLAND Bathroom: almost complete. The walls/flooring are nearly done and need plumbing to be completed.
 - Office Air Conditioning: Work is complete.
 - Youth Area: flooring has been ordered, Pastor Joel is working on furniture choices, etc. A/V upgrades are coming from existing CLC equipment and generous donations of equipment from Dale Owen
- B. Brad Brackett presented a proposal for the CLC A/V upgrades needed. Dale Owen was able to donate some equipment that will save the church around \$15,000. The upgrades that we use for the CLC will replace some of the equipment that we are using in the Youth Worship Room up in Room 300 and what we are donating to Northside Nazarene Church to help them. Questions were asked concerning Live streaming capabilities in the CLC and he reported that we would be able to move in that direction but the camera placement would not be permanently placed. It was clear through the discussion that we would be able to save the church money in other areas by using the used equipment from the CLC where it is needed in other ministries. The board was ready to make a motion and vote on this matter. **ACTION:** A motion was made to approve the bid presented by

Corner Music, Inc to upgrade the CLC room for \$62,639.41. Funds left over from the Forward Together Campaign will be used for this project. (Chuck Carrigan/Jim Rankin)

8. PASTORAL CARE

- A. Pastor Jen passed out an updated Congregational Care directory with some added highlights that will help us keep track of those who are new, those who are mostly shut-in or watch online, and those who need to be encouraged to volunteer or join a group. Please take note of these folks and reach out to those who you think need a contact.
- B. Pastor Jen informed the board of the prayer initiative plans for the months of May and June. The Prayer and Care Team will be focusing on ministering to and praying for the families of Student Ministries and KIDSLAND. They will provide a small box of an assortment of homemade cookies to each family as they wrap up their school year for the summer.

6. KIDSLAND

- A. Pastor Sherry presented the idea of having an externship program. This program would act much like a mentorship program except it would function for the purpose of ministry. The extern would spend time with a ministry leader, job shadowing and learning all aspects of ministry during a period of time that could range from 3 months (summer) to as long as a year. It would be a program offered to any College Church teen or young adult. Pastor Sherry pointed out that this would be a good way to offer an opportunity for our young people to learn ministry practices and to promote continuity of learning from Kidsland, youth, and young adults and this might be a way to help accomplish this. **ACTION:** Motion was made to approve the externship programming, specifically to give an externship to Makenzie Shride to be done this summer, beginning immediately at a stipend of \$1000. (Jeanette Martinson/Amy Smith)
- B. Pastor Sherry used this opportunity to review the summer schedule for Kidsland ministry. She shared with the board her thought process which she used to create the summer programming she is implementing. She will offer programming in both services as usual even for the eight weeks that the church will be in the “summer schedule” of one service at the 10:30 hour. She feels strongly about continuing to offer full programming mainly because we have spent the last year encouraging folks to come back to church after being off due to COVID. She will look for ways to engage new folks to volunteer during the summer schedule in an effort to give the regular volunteers a break if they need it. She handed out the schedule for the board to see where the needs are the greatest and asked the board to pray for God to bring in the volunteers to fill the holes.

10. NMI

- A. Amy Smith reported the outcome of the recent NCM Sponsorship Sunday. Our church is committed to sponsoring 5 children. She and the council were pleased with this since it was the first time our church has held a sponsorship Sunday.

12. PASTOR'S REPORT

- A. Pastor Mark updated the board about his tasks and responsibilities at Northern Seminary. He is currently writing 10 mini-courses that focus on the idea of “Ministry in the Name of Jesus” as opposed to the idea of “Ministry in the name of other things like corporation, outcomes, or other things.” The Pastor’s Table is his new podcast series and will include one other person as a co-host with the plan of having 2 guests. He will be working toward a couple of deadlines for these two projects: June 30 for the mini-courses and August 15 for the podcast start dates. He is also overseeing the network of podcasts that Northern is currently putting out and starting a mentorship program for cohorts that will stem from these podcasts that will directly address the alarming failure rate of long-term pastors. Many pastors are dropping out due to the toxicities found in the current atmosphere in our culture. He will be working closely with Bill Shier and Lynn Cohick of Northern Seminary.

11. NEXT BOARD MEETING:

- A. Board meetings for the year are scheduled on JUN 15, AUG 10, SEP 14, OCT 19, NOV 16, DEC 4. All board meetings will take place on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 PM in Room 200.

13. BENEDICTION

Aaron Meyer closed the meeting with prayer.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:
Jen Johnson, Executive Administrator