

College Church University Avenue
2025 Regular Board Meeting Minutes #4
May 18, 2025 -- 6:30 PM

Board members present: Laura Allen, Lynda Allen, Tyler Bontrager, Rachel Greenawalt, Shannon Hicks, Jeanette Martinson, Aaron Meyer, Kyle Olney, Don Reddick, Leslie Ruzskowski, and Amy Smith.
Board members Absent: Charles Carrigan

Staff members present: Pastor Jen Johnson, Pastor Mark Quanstrom, Brighton Kudej

1. DEVOTIONS/PRAYER

- A. Pastor Mark asked the question: "What is your favorite thing about College Church these days?"
Pastor Mark followed it with a prayer to start the meeting.

2. ADMINISTRATION

- A. **ACTION:** Motion to approve the agenda (Rachel Greenawalt/Shannon Hicks)
- B. **ACTION:** Pastor Jen reviewed the minutes of the April Board Meeting held on April 27, highlighting the action items. A Motion was made to approve the April 2025 Minutes. (Aaron Meyer/Lynda Allen)

3. FINANCE

- A. Pastor Mark reviewed the finance and budget reports for the church finances through March 31, 2025. So far, the staff is under budget for the year. **ACTION:** Motion was made to approve the reports. (Don Reddick/Kyle Olney)

4. NMI

- A. Amy Smith shared that Scott and Emily Armstrong will be with us this coming Wednesday to share with us their ministry in Argentina. She also reported that six members on the Memorial Roll this year, and the NMI council will present certificates to the loved ones.
- B. She noted that the GO Team is getting set to leave for Italy next month, on June 21.

5. PASTORAL CARE

- A. Pastor Jen shared that the Prayer Initiative for May is to honor and pray for all the Nurses and other medical professionals. We had a special time of prayer at the altar this past week during the Sunday Worship Service, and they will each receive a card from the PCT. In June, we will be praying especially for VBP, including the staff, volunteers, and children who attend.

6. BUILDING AND PROPERTY

- A. Pastor Jen reported that the carpet for the office will be installed in mid to late July.
- B. On May 13, Pastor Mark and Pastor Jen, along with John and Sue McGarey met with the Center of Hope staff and renewed the Shared Use Agreement for the coming year between College Church and Center of Hope in the 395 N Schuyler building
- C. During the conversation, the need for security doors down in Kidsland came up. The board spoke in favor of adding a set of doors on the south side of the bathrooms before you get to the KIDSLAND Welcome desk. Pastor Jen will follow up with Tracey Erickson and Bubba Jensen.

7. ONU

- A. Pastor Jen reported that the College church Staff has asked four interns to help out for the summer. They began on May 15 and are Brighton Kudej and Maria Gondos, both Pastoral ministry interns, Elyse Bawks, a Children's Ministry intern, and Cody Raynor, a Youth Ministry Intern. They will be with us until August 15.

8. STUDENT MINISTRIES

- A. Pastor Mark reported to the board that Pastor Joel is asking for the church to help with some scholarships for the teens who are interested in going to NYC next summer (2026). He is asking

for \$25,000 and feels that would be a generous gift from the church to help as many teens as possible go from College Church. The board was in complete agreement.

8. PASTOR'S REPORT

- A. Pastor Mark shared the activities over the past month with the board. He related some important meetings with congregants.
- B. Pastor Mark reported that a few couples have left College Church, but some new folks are coming. We gave College Church commemorative photos to Lee and Marilyn Turner and George and Norma Wood, who are moving to be closer to family. At the same time, we are welcoming Mark and Marsha Green and Joseph and Sunny Lee.

9. CALENDAR

- A. Upcoming Board meeting dates: June 19 at 6:30 PM, no July, August 21, September 18, October 16, November 20, Dec 7- Board Dinner

10. BENEDICTION

Don Reddick closed the meeting with prayer.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Pastor Jen Johnson