

Palouse Federated Church
Board Meeting
Date: October 18, 2022
Approved

Call to Order: Time: 7:04

Board Members Present: Jim Fielder, Chair; Pastor Corey Laughary, Peggy Collier, Brenda Cook, Dennis Griner, Cam Heusser

Other staff present via Zoom: Connie Kuehner

Opening Prayer: Pastor Corey

Devotional: Pastor Corey – Rev. 1-4 Provided an overview of what Christ had to say describing attributes of himself in the letters to the seven churches.

Approval of the September Board Minutes – Motion: Pastor Corey; Second: Peggy; To approve the September board minutes as written. **Passed**

Facilities Report: Cam – The cable for the balcony is in place and the partition wall is up. The finishing touches on the partition wall will be completed soon. Question concerning changing of the light bulbs in the sanctuary was raised. Exploring how to do that safely will be pursued. Cam is completing the short term/long term facilities needs list. The need for handrails on both sides of the balcony stair well was expressed.

Ministries Report: Pastor Corey

Uganda – The children are in school and will be completing their national exams soon. Make this a matter of prayer. The well needs repair. We are waiting on more information and an estimate of cost. Money is available in the account and will be sent when the actual need is known.

Youth –

- * Wednesday night 6:30-8:00 attendance has gone up. Pastor Marty (Garfield) is helping facilitate this as some students are from Garfield.
- * Hua Ming will be the director of the Junior High/High School Ross Point Retreat this year. He is will organized and diligent in contacting youth.

General Outreach –

- * Fellowship of Christian Athletes is meeting at Mike and Evon Jones home for Bible Study.

- * Sunday School attendance is still small. Continue to pray.
- * Spiritual Growth Group (Wednesday evening) – is going well. The joint dinner with the youth is allowing the two generations to meet and mingle.
- * Bishop Place has been on lock down due to COVID. Pray for the residence and workers as they deal with the resulting issues (meals in their room, lack of fellowship). A prayer request for additional outreach was received especially for more men to attend.
- *Several funeral/memorial services were held since last month. It has served as a outreach to the community with numerous members of our congregation and community members actively taking part. The on-line outreach is being used as well. Approximately 167 views of the latest service have been recorded to date. The high quality of the on-line presentation is a plus.

Financial Report: Pastor Corey on behalf of Tim – A summary of the September Balance Sheets and Profit/Loss by Month (January-September) was provided. (Documents are attached to the official minutes).

***Balance Sheet Items of Note**

– If all liabilities were called in at once, the money available for immediate use would be \$4,000 without tapping into the 00200 Account (Money Market). There was at the end of September \$35,209.18 in the checking account, which is real cash and funds the day-to-day operations of the church. We do need to be increasing our “cash on hand” so the difference between that and liabilities is greater.

-- The Lakeland Village (00601) has a \$403.16 starting balance for this year.

***Profit-Loss Items of Note**

-- To date the below budget total is \$24,818.13. Most of this deficit, however, is money owed to ourselves, i.e., earmarked for designated accounts.

2023 Budget Proposal: Pastor Corey from the Stewardship Committee:

A lengthy discussion of the proposed budget and the function of the ministry fund and the emergency fund took place.

Motion: Pastor Corey; **Second:** Peggy; to accept the 2023 budget as submitted by the Stewardship Committee. (Attached to official minutes)

Motion to Amend: Pastor Corey; **Second:** Jim; To amend the 2023 budget by striking the \$2000 Palouse Days Allocation (34403).

Motion to Amend: Dennis; **Second:** Pastor Corey; To amend the 2023 budget by striking all funds in the 34401, 34402, 34403, 33406, and 34407

accounts and place \$2000 in the 34400-account.

Motion to Table: Moved: Pastor Corey; **Second:** Dennis; To table the vote on the 2023 Budget until the November meeting; **Passed.**

New Business:

-- **New Members:** Pastor Corey recommended Bev Heusser, Gene McLean and Glenda McLean be accepted as members of PFC. **Moved:** Dennis; **Second:** Brenda; To accept those presented as new members of PFC. **Passed**

-- **Board Nominations:** Discussion held concerning the filling of board positions for the coming year. A slate of proposed board members will be finalized at the November board meeting.

Pastoral Report: Pastor Corey

- Harvest Dinner – The Potlatch VFW will be honored this year on Nov. 13th
- Veterans Day Service will be held again this year, November 11.
- Revelation services are going well.
- Advent and Christmas services are coming up.

Executive Session: Time: 9:08 Return Time: 9:15

Motion to Adjourn: Peggy; **Second:** Cam;

Meeting adjourned: Time: 9:16

Submitted by Clerk of the Board, Dennis Griner