

Leadership Council July 16, 2018

Present: Bonny Bjorkedal, Harley Butler (via phone), Janet Carter (via phone), Grant Ellingson, Valerie Kneller (via phone), John Koppen, Jim Krueger, Ed Melchi, Pr. Walter Still, John Woodring Minutes by Mary Osen

The meeting was called to order at 4:00pm with a quorum present.

DEVOTIONS led by John Koppen.

STORIES OF PEACE

1. John Woodring (and Polly) find people very friendly and welcoming, being fairly new.
2. Pr. Walter is blessed to be meeting lots of new people even in the summer months. We're happy to see God is sending new people each week! Marilyn shared with Pr. that she had spoken to some folks in MN who shared their appreciation for the ministry and people of Peace.
3. Jim Krueger is excited about the attendance numbers staying around 100 even in summer months.
4. Mary shared that Chuck Avery has completed a project to put together video clips of the construction progress. It was heart-warming to go back and see all the work done for our new facility and a reminder not to take it for granted, but to be blessed by what God's done and doing in our church campus.

MINUTES AND REPORTS – were unanimously accepted as written.

GOALS OF MEETING

1. Follow-up of financial status and recommendations from last month.

Discussion: Jim had previously emailed a YTD budget detail to council. Mentioned that current giving is on track to meet budget, still trying to make up for the now \$70K deficit. The deficit includes the carry-over from 2017 budget and 2018 shortfall. To add to this, an aged AC unit went out this week and will be replaced at a cost of \$10K. The maintenance reserve account which had about \$25K, is now \$5800, and will be depleted with this purchase. There are 3 units remaining that are aging. Jim had contacted Thrivent Financial to get the process going to combine mortgage and bridge loan. This could lower monthly payments by approximately \$2K per month. Jim did not ask for any additional dollars from Thrivent, but this could be a possibility. Will need to build back up reserves to cover unforeseen expenses and to be able to replace AC units when needed. We currently have \$80K-90K in checking.

John Woodring distributed some information about Stewardship For All Seasons that Peace will be participating in, and said that most of the August meeting will be discussion/planning for this. All are hopeful that this will help our finances going forward, but still have a large immediate need. Jim and John talked about the SAS meeting on Saturday, August 4 in Tampa, and asked any who would be available to come along. February, 1-3, 2019 will be our donor event and pledge weekend.

The Council discussed other ways to tell our story for increased support and areas that might result in savings.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS –

-Let's Share Dinner, October 17, 2018 – Jim Krueger shared that October is Pastor appreciation month and asked if Council would be available to host/lead the October dinner. The Council was on board with this and further planning of a theme and menu will be discussed.

Meeting adjourned at 5:25pm.

Submitted by: Mary Osen

Approved by: Pr. Walter, Jim Krueger

Calendar/Events – as listed