

## Minutes of 2019 Annual Meeting

The MEFC annual potluck meal and business meeting was held on Sunday, March 11, 2019 with 56 members present. The meeting was opened in prayer by Jason Farver. Opening remarks and Chairman's Report were given by Mark Johnson. Mark asked the congregation, "What is your vision of what MEFC should be?" Mark stated that new programs all have been started when somebody had a vision. Through prayer and moving as the Holy Spirit leads us, our task is to bring others to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.

The Secretary's Report was read and approved.

Treasurer's Report was given by Doug Goodburn and Steve Nelson. Total income for the year was \$301,568.90. Total expenses were \$383,917.99. Ending balance was \$54,804.11. There was a net change of -\$82,349.09. It was m/s/c to accept the Treasurer's Report. A thank you was given to Doug and Steve for serving as Treasurers and also to Marty Jenness and Nathan Bush for auditing the Treasurer's Report.

Ballot for nominations for office 2019-2020 was presented with no nominations from the floor. It was m/s/c to accept the ballot. Mark thanked this year's Nominating Committee members: Marty Jenness, Jim Johansen, LeighAnne Oswald, Janet Angell, Molly Paulsrud, Pastor Pete Younker, and Pastor Andrew Mahoney.

The Senior Pastor's Report was given by Pastor Andrew Mahoney. He stated he is excited for MEFC and he and his family are loving rural Iowa and getting to know the church family. Pastor Andrew reminded us we are all missionaries right here in our own communities.

The Youth Pastor Report was given by Pastor Pete Younker. Mark thanked Pastor Pete for all the additional roles he fills in addition to being the Youth Pastor. Pete reported there were 6 graduates from BIC this past year: Jena Jenness, Anna Paulsrud, Rylee Pitts, Michael Rupp, Paul Schmidt, and Sam Kach. There were three youth baptisms: Meredith Lovell, Taylor Farver, and Audra Penning.

High School graduates this past year were Sarah Kach, Ben Hart, Michah Petersen, Jaden Ducommun, and Anna Schmidt.

An update on Haiti mission trips was given by Jason Farver. Due to the current Level 4 travel warning in place in Haiti, both the March and June mission trips have been postponed. The UCI area is not impacted with the current rioting in that country.

Old Business: Tim Petersen gave a summary of parsonage progress. The main floor is now completed. The basement is completed except carpeting. New windows, siding, soffits, and a new entry door have been installed. In the church building, a new boiler had to be installed. Going forward, plans are to update lighting in the west foyer and update the church basement.

Pastor Andrew attended EFCA Central Conference and discussed the motion that was made 1 year ago to change the word "premillennial" to "glorious" in article IX of the Statement of Faith. The EFCA leadership states this is still an ongoing discussion.

New Business: The Missions Budget was presented (see report). It was m/s/c to accept the Missions Budget at \$28,040. It was noted that the percentage of our annual budget that goes to missions varies from year to year. Mark also encouraged anyone to give additional funds to any of the missions when there is a need.

Whitney Farver stated \$2000 has been raised towards building a new house in Terra Gliese. This house is for a family in a dire need of a new home. MEFC has been interacting with this family since going to Haiti. She requested an additional \$3000 be given toward this. It was m/s/c to give \$3000 to this need. Congregation was reminded MEFC has currently built 30 homes in Haiti, which is significant.

Kathy Nelson reported there is a request from Kellie Hogg to find a new director for the Cubbies class in AWANA.

There are no new member requests at this time. A new members class will be coming in the near future.

Pastor Andrew closed the meeting in prayer.