January MEFC General Board Minutes

Jan 17, 2021 @ 7:30pm

General Meeting Minutes:

* Meeting opened with prayer.
* Hymn, “It is Well with my Soul”, led by Pastor Nelson.
* Due to poor attendance new business was addressed first, while Mark Johnson was connected by a phone call.
	+ Approval of December Meeting Minutes, m/s/c.
	+ Treasurer’s Report was approved m/s/c
		- Income, $43, 085.65 and Expense $35, 922.99
	+ Nominating committee update was given, a few positions are needing filled before the annual meeting.
	+ Bereavement Policy included further explanation, new language adopted, m/s/c
	+ Merle Wester has recently passed away and the Deacon Board would like to send a gift to the family. The board approved a monetary gift to the mission of the family’s choosing. m/s/c
	+ 2022 Budget 1st Draft presented to the board, all were encouraged to review and bring feedback to February’s meeting.
	+ Auditing of Financial Statements for the year end will be done by Kerwin and Doug.
	+ Salaries will be discussed in the February Meeting, please plan to stay for a longer meeting due to the content.
	+ FYI, our church is signed up to help with Sermons Ala Carte at the Memorial Presbyterian Church on April 4th.

Trustee’s Report:

* Drywall in the sanctuary will start Monday 1/24/22 by Carlos Soto.
* The TV’s will be installed.
* Accent lights on the sides of the sanctuary and by the cross will be installed.
* Painting will be done as needed.
* Working on Facility plan update to present at the annual meeting.

Senior Pastor Report:

* Preaching the series on James.
* Pastor Nelson is setting up meetings with individuals and families.
* Pastor Nelson had shared with the Deacon board when planning the spring clean-up day that would as a church could correlate canvasing the town of Meriden and assisting residents with projects. Then we could invite them all back to church for a time of fellowship and lunch.

Youth/Discipleship Report:

* Pastor Pete gave update and submitted a written report.

Deacon Report:

* Four members were present tonight due to a home basketball game and illness.
* Bill Allison will be here to preach on March 19th.
* Christian Ed Committee will be meeting soon and will be discussing VBS.
* The Benevolent Fund needs to be used soon and ideas should be shared with the Deacon board as soon as possible.

Sunday School Sup Report:

* Pastor Larry will be doing an 8-week series on Jonah.
* Sunday School has been very well attended.

Meeting ended in prayer.

Minutes taken by Board Secretary, Carey Ducommun