

## **JULY 20TH, 2020 MEFC BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

The monthly board meeting was held on Monday, July 20th, with 12 members present in person and 3 via zoom. Mark Johnson opened up with a devotion from the Daily Bread, "Treasure the Moments", Ecclesiastes 3:11. Memories of Steve Nelson were shared by all members. Scott Lovell then started the meeting in prayer.

**The Secretary's Minutes:** from the May 4th meeting were reviewed and it was m/s/c to approve the minutes as recorded. Annual meeting minutes were read and additional corrections will be made.

**Treasurer's Report:** Marty Jenness read an unofficial treasurer report from Dessel Bookeeping.

May income: \$19,610.03      May expense: \$23,288.54

June income: \$26,890.20      June expense: \$25,053.70

Dessel tax as of June 1st is writing all the checks.

Marty will take over as the interim treasurer and work closely with Doug Goodburn for a smooth transition. Marty stressed the need for better communication between all board members.

Pete will get a new password for PushPay, talked about the Fareway, HyVee, and Bomgaars charge accounts. Trustees decided to close the HyVee and Fareway account.

UCI, runs through the church for the scholarships, is it a possibility that the UCI does not go through the general fund. Tim spoke with Molly and Whitney to work on a new collection process. Do the deaconess need more than \$500 dollars a year for a budget? There was \$150.00 given to the deaconess from Boothby funeral home.

**Trustees:** The basement carpets will be cleaned by Brandon Rushman. Much more detail will need to be done with the income and expenses.

**Pastor Andrew:** Spoke in regard with living through the last few weeks regarding the loss of Steve Nelson. Camp Zoe has been a success. Prayers for our grieving families, the Hix and the Nelson's.

**Pastor Pete:** In May they wrapped up the series "Year with Jesus". Trying to encourage the kids to share what they are learning with others. "Serving like Jesus" serving the church and the community. Pete has noticed the student's anxiety about the coming fall and how much they enjoyed being together. Each week Pete has been texting and calling parents and students to touch base with the families. Thank you to Eli for leading Sunday School. Working on a six year plan with students. What benchmarks should be met at what time in life?

Customizable App was in his plan but he will need to know if we are considering cancelling the PushPay he needs to know as soon as possible so he does not spend more time on this. The youth and Pete just returned home from an amazing trip to Yellowstone.

**Deacon Report:** Discussed planning AWANA as normal, we as a church will follow the school's lead regarding social distancing and masks. Will start up after Labor Day. Sunday School will all

kick back off after Labor Day. Possibly decreasing the sizes of small groups. Talked about visitation and the increase of new visitors in church. The Deacons are going to try and get a hold of people before the fall kick-off. Several missionaries that were paid through the 2020 year were paid and are leaving the mission field. This will be handled by the Mission Committee, if anyone has any new ideas please let the mission committee know.

Church Assessment needs to be evaluated by outside companies, Mark will get some estimates and bring back to the August meeting. The Deacons will start evaluating policies. Trustees gave the recommendation to go every other row and if people would like to social distance more than that they can be seated in the back. Scott will send more information to the congregation.

**Deaconess Report:** What do we think about doing coffee and treats again?

Board approves that this is okay as long as the deaconess are serving, no self serve.

**Old Business:** When will BIC graduation happen? Pete will ask the parents.

Doug will line up an insurance review in September with Brotherhood Mutual.

Concrete behind the church needs to be replaced and the cement under the carport is also falling apart. Delmer Mogensen was here and will be getting estimates to the trustees.

**New Business:**

Postponed the 75th Anniversary of the church until further notice, most likely not until next summer.

Nomination from the floor for interim Treasurer, Marty Jenness. m/s/c. No other nominations were made. Board approves Marty as interim treasurer until the next annual meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.

Pastor Andrew closed in prayer.

Minutes recorded by Carey Ducommun

Minutes approved by Roger and seconded by Pete. m/s/c 8/17/20