



ALL GOD'S CHILDREN

A METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH

come just as you are

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

September 13, 2007

Approved Minutes

Members Present: Andy Ansell, James Dahlen, Bill Langlois, Steve Reinke, Steve Robertson, Nicky Simon, and Reverend Eknes-Tucker

Excused Absences: Kimberlee Bach

Guests: Kathy Barclay, Shauna JeMai Croom, Peter Erdman, Mike Haase, Barry Levitt (Lavender Magazine), Frank Kursinsky

Prayer Requests

Andy Ansell offered the opening prayer, after mentioning prayer concerns.

Vision/Mission/Values Statement

Bill Langlois read the Vision, Mission, and Values. These are read in the beginning of all Board meetings in an effort to focus on what the congregation has identified as our strategic direction and goals.

Review and Approval of Agenda

The agenda was accepted with the following corrections:

- Reports were re-ordered to accommodate attendee schedules and the secretary's absence

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The minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

Secretary's Report

Membership stands at 349; last month's count may have been in error. In the Secretary's absence, the Bylaw discussion was held for inclusion in the Treasurer's report, upon his arrival.

Marketing Team

Barry Levitt presented new Lavender Magazine advertising options; brief discussion followed on the new program's impact on AGC's current contract. Nicky thanked Barry for the report; Marketing will follow up with him.

Property Team

Per her written report, Kathy Barclay requested Board input on the following:

1. Planning for Ackerman Hall Visitor's Center; the Board approved the plans as stated and asked that they be discussed with the Whispering Hope Church Store staff, who will be most impacted by the changes.

Kathy also presented plans for creating a music room in Ackerman Hall; the Board approved these as well.

2. 2008 Regional Conference Building Concerns; Kathy highlighted Property Team recommendations and potential costs for preparing the building for hosting this event. Rev. Eknes-Tucker suggested the projects be funded by the Miracle Sunday offering.
3. Remote door access; the Board agreed that this is not necessary at this time.

Kathy and Andy also mentioned plans to add counter space to the Reception/Admin workstation.

Treasurer's Report

James Dahlen submitted the Treasurer's written report. AGC is operating below the Tier 1 level of budgeted revenue, but cash flow continues to be good, mostly due to the success of the Capital Campaign. The spending freeze will likely remain in place for the rest of this year. He also addressed the following:

Copier replacement: Peter Erdman explained the complexity of replacing the current machines. Steve Robertson moved to have Rev. Eknes-Tucker work with Peter to resolve the situation; Andy seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Kathy suggested AGC challenge IKON's policy on renewing the service contract for a machine without a lease.

Draft Budget issues follow up: James clarified the Board's intentions regarding Mike Haase's allotted hours, AGC's portion of the Pastoral Intern's stipend, and plans for guests speakers.

Bylaw updates: James asked the Board to review the Bylaws with the upcoming Congregational Meeting in mind. A Final draft will be available at October BOD meeting for approval.

Director of Administration

Shauna submitted a written report. She noted that her hours have changed, allowing her to operate as evening building host three nights a week. She reminded the Board that the building calendar and Rev. Eknes-Tucker will inform her work priorities in lieu of a separate administration calendar. Steve Reinke was asked to advise regarding next steps on the GOF Lease and Building Policy updates.

HEAT

The furnaces have arrived and the work is progressing nicely. The Team will follow up with a project completion date.

Personnel

Steve Robertson reported that staff evaluations are due by the end of the year.

Pastor's Report

Reverend Eknes-Tucker announced that Spirit! Service will return to Wednesday nights starting October 2. There will be a teaching component added to the service, and the pastor will work with Worship Team to promote its status as a fully structured worship experience alongside the Sunday service. This includes asking the ministry teams active on Sunday mornings (Worship, Technology, Healing & Wholeness, Whispering Hope Church Store, Hospitality and Music) to offer the same services on Wednesdays.

Pastor asked the Board to consider sponsoring the October Voices United Conference. James moved to allot \$500 for sponsorship; Bill seconded the motion, which passed with unanimous consent.

Nominations are sought for the second annual Troy D. Perry Living the Vision award recipient. A newsletter notice will solicit nominations from the congregation.

AGC will send the congregation Stewardship pledge requests tailored for members and those who contribute to the church.

Pastor requested names of individuals or families who could give testimonials at the October 3 Allied Event (part of the Capital Campaign).

The denomination has lowered tithes in lieu of direct donations for special offerings. Pastor will have a notice placed in the newsletter explaining the program to the congregation.

Red Ribbon Ride

Andy announced his intention to form an AGC cycling team for the Red Ribbon Ride, noting that the event could tie in with World AIDS Day plans. Nicky expressed her desire to develop a team-based monthly outreach event that could support the Ride. The Board offered Andy its support and approval.

Executive Session

Motion to Adjourn

Closing Prayer

Respectfully Submitted,
Shauna JeMai Croom for Kimberlee Bach, Secretary of the Board