

Caldwell Methodist Church
Board of Stewards Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 6th, 2023

<u>BOS ATTENDEES:</u>	Pastor Kevin McMachen	Mark Telg – Chair	Tommy Griffin
Monica Odenbach	Bridget Ingram	Ron Olive	Mary Ann Baron
Becky Aldridge	Brad Blaha	Stu Chapman	Scott Ofczarzak

Visitors – John & Cindy Brahm
Jan Maddocks

CALL TO ORDER: Mark Telg – Chair - called the meeting to order @ 6:00pm.

OPENING PRAYER: Pastor Kevin McMachen

OPENING DEVOTIONAL: Brad Blaha Proverbs 10:9

OPENING COMMENTS: John & Cindy Brahm presented ideas for a missions team with specific goals. The team would do minor home repairs, wheelchair ramps, and yard work for Burleson County. The Brahm’s plan to start after Easter with one project a month. BoS approved per consensus to move forward and Pastor Kevin will check into what type of insurance would be needed.

Jan Maddocks presented a MDO update. Census is down 1 child; however, she has potential applicants.

SPRC: There was one complaint received by SPRC which has been addressed. Currently we are looking for two nursery workers. SPRC and Pastor Kevin are reviewing job descriptions.

TRUSTEES:

1. Membership Committee – No new information.
2. Church website project – Project completed. We are live, Caldwellmc.org. Pastor Kevin encourages any feedback.
3. Safe Sanctuary – No new information.
4. Nursery (Staff & Space) – Discussion about different locations for the nursery were made. Pastor Kevin is to research camera options to be used in the nursery. Will report back.
5. Potential Review Church by Laws – GMC legal department still working on updating the by laws.
6. Caldwell Mission Team (John & Cindy Brahm) – See comments above.
7. Hosting UMARMY – Following discussion, Tommy Griffin made the motion to host UMARMY the week of July 16- July 22. Seconded by Bridget Ingram. Passed unanimously. Pastor Kevin

amended the motion to include moving the MDO vacation from the week of July 4th to 7/16-7/22, with prorating the MDO fees. Meals provided by the church may be requested by the Kitchen Coordinator for the UM ARMY camp.

8. Wheelchair Ramp – Pastor Kevin will be putting together a team to develop a plan/proposal for a wheelchair ramp. Scott Ofczarzak will check into contacts for possible grant money.
9. Update on campus-wide internet access – Pastor Kevin to meet with Tim this week to discuss setting up wi-fi.

FINANCE REPORT:

1. Monthly financial report – Monica Odenbach reviewed documents regarding the church taxes and filings. Monica Odenbach made a motion for Seidel Schroeder to represent the church for taxes and audit. Scott Ofczarzak seconded motion. Passed unanimously.
2. MDO – Beth Johnson will be coming later in the year to assess the feasibility of expanding the MDO program.
3. Budget Review – Becky provided the Finance Chairman Report. Additional reports were emailed to the BoS prior to meeting for review.
4. Action Items – Get church taxes caught up and to re-evaluate reinstating the audit committee.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Motion was made by Tommy Griffin to order new van with a purchase price not to exceed \$70,000, seconded by Becky Aldridge, passed unanimously. Current bus to be sold and proceeds used towards purchase of new van.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. GMC Annual Conference will be held July 20- July 22.
2. Pastor Kevin requests board members to survey 10:30 service attendees concerning the way we currently receive communion to determine if changes need to be made.
3. Pastor Kevin also requests help gaining consensus on whether to wear his robe every Sunday or not.
4. Laverne Addison to coordinate getting a new hard copy of the church directory.

CLOSING PRAYER:

Meeting adjourned by Mark Telg @ 08:09pm. Next monthly BoS meeting scheduled for **April 10th, 2023 at 6pm.**