Caldwell Methodist Church Board of Stewards Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 13, 2023

BoS Attendees: Pastor Kevin McMachen Mark Telg – Chair Tommy Griffin

Bridget Ingram Becky Aldridge Brad Blaha

Ron Olive Michael Bennett Jessica Kreusel

Monica Odenbach Bill Freeman Visitors-Philip Staggs,

Victoria Sandage, Lance Adridge

CALL TO ORDER: Mark Telg, Chair, called the meeting to order @ 6:00 p.m.

OPENING PRAYER: Pastor Kevin McMachen

OPENING COMMENTS: Victoria Sandage updated the BoS about upcoming fundraisers for MDO and youth: Garage Sale, Parents night out. Presented the MDO budget and confirmed 10 kids enrolled.

An incident was reported that occurred at a praise team practice. Further discussion will take place during the next SPRC meeting.

Kevin led discussion on a recent event asking for continued prayers for a fatal shooting at Lake Houston Methodist Church on November 12, 2023. More discussion during item #1- Security team.

<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>: Meeting minutes of October 9, 2023 were presented for discussion and approval. Motion was made by Michael Bennett and seconded by Tommy Griffin to approve the minutes as presented. Motion was approved unanimously.

SPR: Personnel update.

TRUSTEES:

- 1. Security Team- Security team is developing. There was discussion about the need for a monitor in the Church loft to monitor cameras during church service. As of now, Bo Aldridge and Kevin McMachen can monitor cameras on personal phones or tablets. The tablet is used to control sound for microphones and music. Difficult to switch back and forth. Discussion about locking enter/exit doors during church and leaving one door to be opened by personnel for late comers and others during the service. Kevin McMachen made a motion to investigate the cost of training staff for active shooters. Brad Blaha second the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.
- 2. K L Landscape Motion made by Pastor Kevin and second by Mark Telg to begin active search to replace K L Landscape with a different lawn care company. Motion was approved unanimously.
- 3. Church Van It was decided to table the search for a van for now. Will rent a van when needed for big events.

- 4. Scouts- Discussion of possibly chartering Scouts through the church with specific guidelines and regulations. Ask around for church members to head it up.
- 5. E Z Tag Issue- Toll bills from the previous van the church no longer owns. Brad Blaha will get necessary paperwork from the courthouse to file and remove church from legal obligation to the van and toll bills.
- 6. Yellow House- Tenet is out. Need to work on the hot water heater. Water and electricity have currently been turned off. Need to decide what to do with the house.
- 7. Church ad in Community Calendar (Tribune)- Decided not to pay for that service.
- 8. Gym/Activity building- Interest in renting the gym for Volleyball for 8 weeks. Will send Building Use Contract, see if still interested and the dates do not conflict with any current reservations/use.

FINANCE REPORT:

- 1. Monthly financial report Becky Aldridge discussed where the church is at financially as of October 2023. Will have an official budget to present soon.
- 2. MDO Report- Victoria Sandage presented the MDO Budget for October.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. New Church Signs – Tommy Griffin stated the new signs should be put up on Friday November 17, 2023

New Business:

- 1. Motion made by Bridget to up the number of group members to 200 on the Church Center app for a total of \$29, second by Brad Blaha. Motion was approved unanimously.
- 2. Pastor Kevin will look into and follow up with getting live stream of worship service to the nursery.

CLOSING PRAYER: Pastor Kevin McMachen

Meeting adjourned by Mark Telg @ 08:57 p.m. Next monthly BoS meeting scheduled for **December 11**, **2023 at 6pm**.