

Date:
07/12/2015 8:36AM

Attendees:

Charlotte A. Pontius
Thomas W. Osgood
Sharon L. Sims
Richard K. Meyer
Judy Kirkham
Linda Rice
Michael Cohen

Not attending:

Peggy Griffith
Pat Matthews

Minutes taken by:

Richard Meyer

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Sherry lit the chalice.

Minutes:

Charlotte motions to approve minutes from 6/14/2015. Linda seconds. Vote approves.

Financial Report:

Charlotte is still reconciling last year's finances; that should be complete next month.

June is a fresh slate. Charlotte is trying to work around our Quickbooks being unsupported. Pledged income shows high because some members do a one-time payment for the year. There is an extra \$50 in special donations due to an expected cost (Backstage Cleaning) coming in \$50 under the \$350 proposed. No rental income shows for June because it was prepaid in May, so it spanned fiscal calendars. Share the Plate for the month was \$178.34. Some B&G expenses had to be split between capital and maintenance. Tom raised the issue of having the expense come out of capital vs operating since it was not voted which it would have come out of. Charlotte reminds us that what we have is a single account, but a categorization system that defines what is what and we do need to specify how to categorize an item we vote to pay for. Sherry notes that we normally do. Charlotte notes that, as is, we have some areas that are not well defined (ie within B&G, is an expense capital or operating).

Tom provided a report showing some breakdown of the single account showing breakdown of Operating Fund, Share the Plate Fund, Women's Retreat Fund, Capital Fund, and Restricted for Backstage Cleaning Fund. The largest, by far, is the Operating Fund.

Linda moves to approve this report. Michael seconds.

Sherry adds that discussions were had and, going forward, income from Bonnie's Café will be reported as a separate line item on the financials.

Worship Coordinator:

Kaye reports that there is high motivation for figuring out the fall services. Most of the members that coordinated the summer services will continue into the fall.

Tom mentions that most of our worship budget goes to Forrest, which does, with our current budget, limit our options.

Social Justice:

Sherry reports that she filled up a cart with milk and eggs, expecting to spend \$150. It came in at less than half that.

Buildings and Grounds:

New locks and keys are in. Sherry has a list of 19 to hand out and she has a total of 20. Once keys are handed out, Sherry will provide a list for the minutes.

Plaster repairs. There is a company on Craigslist with a deal for 4h of repair work for \$150. Our Seventh Day Adventists have a member who has a painting business that has volunteered to do the repair for free. Some discussion was had on it being plaster and lath and as time goes on it being an unusual and difficult repair.

Sherry would like Michael to call Accu-Level to check the foundation

Linda will call United Dynamics.

The idea is to understand the issues involved and gain an understanding of what we are facing. One issue thus far is that there are few people who do commercial buildings. Few are local.

Brittany wants an outdoor work day. Scheduling July 25th 2-5PM

Other:

Sherry talked to Midwest Region regarding a consultant for “moving forward” conversations. \$300/day + \$125 travel

Kaye mentions we might want to clarify our vision before making such a step.

We seem to be faced with decisions involving congregation size and upcoming building repairs where we must find the right decision for us. It may be a difficult one.

We budgeted \$2500 for an assistant. \$14-20/hr, which limits the number of hours we would have their services. This is an experimental position and flexibility will be the key.

We will want a small workspace for this person.

Kaye mentions for items such as order of service, we had discussions about making it generic enough to not need a weekly version – similar to what is done during the summer.

Online Database. Funds are in budget. Kaye is waiting on Jan. Charlotte is ready to move forward.

Our cleaner has informed us the vacuum cleaner is in need of repair/replacement.

Pastor Rosario informs us that they have a week of activities coming up from 7:30-9 each evening Sept 12-19. There may be some conflicts for Socrates Café and play rehearsals.

Meeting adjourned – 10:08