

BROADWAY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Board Minutes

05-24-2016

Present: 22 Board Members; 3 excused; 4 staff; 20 guests;

Chair Roger Wilson opened the meeting with prayer at 7:00 p.m.

Information Items

Stephen Ministry: Tim Carson reported that as happens in many churches, the Stephen Ministry program at Broadway has peaked and is closing out due to lack of participation and interest. He thanked the many Stephen Ministers for their valuable service over the years.

Permanent Funds: Debbie Fisher reported that due to the fact the Permanent Funds Policy had not been reviewed since 2004, the committee determined there were several areas that needed to be updated. There was also some confusion over funding and distribution, so the committee decided in September 2015 to review and amend the policy. Committee member Rick Henderson visited the offices of the Disciples Church Extension Fund in Indiana to better understand how the system is supposed to work to ensure our changes were in line with original intent. Proposed changes have also been reviewed by Leslie Clay as an attorney and member of the current By-Laws Committee. He explained the funds are to be used for ministries over and above the budget. Only proceeds from the investment of the funds are to be used. Incoming Board Members for next year were invited to this meeting so they will be aware of the proposal which will be brought to vote at the next Board meeting following required 30-day review. Once approved by the Board, there will be sessions throughout the year to educate the congregation as to the policies and procedures for use of the fund.

Front Porch Committee: Roger Wilson reported that Darren Day has resigned as co-chair due to increased responsibilities with his job, so a new co-chair is being sought to assist Phyllis Hardin.

Ministry Areas

Connections: Dixie Fisher reported there were 95 ladies seated at the Ladies Brunch, and \$136 in tips was collected for the youth who served and helped with cleanup. The funds are to be used for youth activities. She reminded everyone the Annual Meeting Chicken Dinner is June 12, with the chicken provided from Lee's. She announced a Pictorial Directory will be made this summer, with sign-up slots available August 16-19.

Worship: In the absence of the Wallaces, Tim reported that June 12 there will be one combined worship service at 10:30 in the Christian Life Center. All music groups will perform from the second level. He also reported that the summer worship theme will be, "What Would Jesus Ask?"

Elders: Andy Ward reported that Elder-Deacon Training is scheduled for June 4.

Deacons: Sara Miller had no report apart from what Andy announced about the training.

Service: Nancy Miller reported that through money raised from serving church dinners, MOM has raised all the funds necessary for on-ground expenses for the adult mission trip

Resources - Property: Mike Crews reported they were able to obtain some additional 8-foot tables from donations. Due to rainout of the last Property Work Day, the next one is scheduled for June 11, with June 18 as a backup. He also reported they are working with an engineer on the hail claim to the roof.

Children and Youth: Shawna Schulte reported the youth baptisms and baby dedications the last two Sundays. They are still in need of volunteers for the June 4 Field Day. She reported that since traditionally we don't have summer Sunday School, they will have a program called "Gifts of our Church" for Pathways. Adults will share their gifts and talents with the children and involve them in related projects.

Children and Youth: Stephanie Zaner reported that Wednesday Night Live has ended, but there are events planned for June 18 and July 9, with Summer Send-Off planned for August 13. She reported the Loft will have a new area for a library and prayer; a youth display area is being developed, a trip to the Moberly drive-in is being planned, and the Youth Mission Trip is scheduled for July 10-15. Nick will teach a Summer Sunday School program and include the newly baptized youth.

Discipleship: Patsy Dalton said the organization of the CareLink program is still going well. She encouraged everyone to spread the word to call the office when they have a need, so it can be passed along to CareLink for the appropriate care ministry.

Discipleship: Deb Ward stated there is no new news on Adult Education, but encouraged everyone to take advantage of the many opportunities offered each Sunday, as well as with the Small Groups.

Membership Report Ingrid Luckenbill reported 13 new members (9 through baptism) and 3 losses due to moving away. Total inactive members 1,304; active 800.

Executive Committee Report Roger Wilson reported that the May Executive meeting was primarily concerned with the budget and comparing the ministry wish lists with the Finance Committee report. He stated there was some discussion regarding possible use of anticipated unexpended budget funds from this year. And he reported that Jack Miles will be the new leader of the Transportation/Bus committee to develop the policies and procedures for bus usage.

Action Items

By-Laws Revision Approval: Leslie Clay explained the changes were brought forth and explained at the last meeting, and since a 30-day review period is provided in the current by-laws, it is appropriate that a vote be taken tonight. Nancy Miller moved the amended by-laws be approved. Debbie Fisher seconded the motion. The motion passed with two opposed.

2016-17 Budget: Martha Head explained the budgeting procedure was the same as last year. The projected income was based on a blended 5-year average plus 1.5% for a total of \$828,822. Not all pledges have come in yet, and follow-up is being done. Leslie Clay moved the budget be approved for presentation to the congregation at the June 12 Annual Meeting. Sara Miller seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Ministers' Remarks

Nick Larson introduced Staton Zaner, who began his summer internship this week. He will focus on Youth, Pastoral Care and Worship, and will preach the message July 31. Nick reported camp registrations for BCC, as well as regionally, are lagging, and if not enough come in, the camps might have to be canceled. He reported that on Wednesday afternoons the Loft will be open for Youth. The old Jr. High classroom will be

turned into a Loft Studio. Tables found at the Habitat Sale are going to be refinished for use as study tables, etc. Memorabilia items from several years of youth mission trips will be gathered and displayed on a Service Wall in the apex.

Terry Overfelt expressed how special Hannah Fisher Ryan's ordination service was. Debbie Fisher then thanked the staff and everyone else who helped with the service. Terry announced that a new electronic keyboard has been purchased from Memorial Funds, and the old keyboard is being repurposed to Jay's church.

Tim Carson noted the changes coming up for the summer with VBS, camps, and worship schedules. He stated that over the past year several groups have been studying Thomas Merton, and that 14 BCC members are attending a retreat at Gethsemane Abbey June 27-30 for 4 days of silence.

Closing Comments and Prayer Roger noted this is his last board meeting and remarked this has been a special year of defining ourselves with Open and Inclusive and staying financially strong. He thanked Leslie Clay for her job as vice-chair and expressed confidence in her abilities as chair next year. He adjourned the meeting at 8:45. As we gathered in a circle, Tim led us in singing the Doxology.

Respectfully submitted,
Jan Farr
Board Secretary