

November 15, 2017

The regular business meeting of Church on the Drive was held on Wednesday, November 15, 2017 at 6:04 p.m. The business meeting was called to order by Parliamentarian George Stuart. Church Clerk Toni Carter was present. A motion was presented for nominee of moderator to be Margaret Osteen. Motion was seconded and it passed. Pastor Jack opened the meeting with prayer. The minutes of the business meeting from October 22, 2017 were reviewed. Dick Atkins moved to accept the minutes as presented. Diane Stanton seconded the motion. The motion passed.

October Membership report: There were two new members in October: Mr. Chris Plumlee and Mrs. Taylor Plumbee (10/25). We lost two members to death: Mrs. Gladys McIlhenny (October 19, 2017) and Mrs. Eve Babcock (October 28, 2017). A moment of prayer and silence was held in memory of those lost.

Sam Smith, Treasurer reported October's receipts were 91.62% for the month which brings the budget to 81.39% for the year. A transfer of \$6,200 in from reserves was made during the month. The bank balance at beginning of month was <\$1,842.31>. The month end balance after transfer from reserves was \$3,896.21. The report was accepted as printed.

### **Announcements**

For the Adult Advisory Council, Pastor Josh reported Deck the Halls is a week from Sunday with a snack supper and then sign up to 'deck the halls'. The decorating is important for visitors and others who are in our facility. The decorating will begin about 5:45 p.m.

Cynthia McInvale clarified that the roof repair monies are not coming from reserves but from the settlement money.

George Stuart reported for College Park Towers that the current management company's right of first refusal has expired. The final closing is proceeding and should be no later than April 30, 2018. SPM has filed a lawsuit.

### **Committees**

#### *Personnel Committee*

Karen Schimpf reporting for the Personnel Committee presented a motion for changes to the Church policies. Corrections in sections II C, IV C, & VI B updated to Cynthia McInvale's current title of Minister of Church Administration. Also section VI A 2 holiday changed to Monday after Easter Sunday and VIII B & C benefits were deleted as they are no longer active as of 2 years ago. The motion passed.

Plus a new part H in section VIII for paid family and medical leave. The addition was discussed pro and con with several people offering questions and comments.

There was a question about a seeming disagreement in the hours and months. An amendment was offered by Lee Atkins to amend the language to be fulltime and 12 months with no hours stated. The amendment was seconded by David Detmer. The amendment passed.

Mary Chandler offered an additional amendment to reduce the time frame from 6 weeks to 4 weeks in light of the church's current financial situation. Dick Atkins seconded the motion. After discussion for and against the second amendment failed. The original motion with the first amendment passed.

#### *Communications and Marketing Committee*

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Margaret Osteen reporting for the Communications and Marketing Committee announced that now the agenda for the business minutes are being posted online under the password protected section. In the future the minutes of the business meeting and financial statements will be added.

#### *Properties Committee*

Larry Baker reported that the sanctuary roof is under construction. It is being replaced and work will take about 3 weeks. Following that the ceiling will be fixed next.

#### *Finance Committee*

Peter Schimpf reported for the Finance Committee as Chair Christi Lawson is out of town, the Church is facing financial challenges. Peter shared info on next budget and some background. The decision to invite a consultant for budget building process has been made.

#### **Unfinished**

There was none.

#### **New Business**

Pastor Josh shared that the Welcome Team is doing a fabulous job, providing bulletins and hugs if inclined as you enter building; before 9:45 you can grab from table. There is space for you if you want to welcome folks to COTD. Worship guide will be online Friday before the Sunday under media not the protected area.

Bonnie Singletary asked about the benevolent offerings, whether they have been discontinued. There seems to be a disconnect between the announcement and plates for benevolent offering. Pastor Josh said the benevolent offering is the same as it has always been every month on 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday. The disconnect will be fixed so the plates will be there on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month.

#### **Staff Reports**

Pastor Josh Plant reported we will not have Upward Basketball this year. We have no director so we are taking a break this year and will come back next year. If you would like to help with Upward please let Josh know.

Edith Marlo Wright announced that the Christmas musical will be on December 10 during service. You can still the join choir tonight.

Debbie Hairel announced the Christmas lights tour will be on December 5 leaving the church at 4:30. We have 18 people going to Atlanta to work in the processing center for Operation Christmas Child. And the annual Christmas reception will be on December 9 in the Fellowship Hall.

Pastor Jack reported that there is now an adhoc worship enhancement team which Marlo will lead. We deserve a pat on back for putting together 15,000 meals on Saturday for Puerto Rico.

Pastor Jack closed the meeting in prayer.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Toni Carter, Church Clerk