

West Side Baptist Church Council Minutes

July 19, 2022

Present: Pastor Ivan Greuter; Nancy Lindberg; Pat Carpenter; Harry Carpenter; Jack Janway; Brice Smith; Jim Goodnow; Janice Kirby; Chuck Cozad; Fran Seymour-Hunter Absent: Carla Donnelly; Colleen Smith

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Pastor Ivan.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report was provided by Nancy along with her summary report. Income for May was \$17,505.57 (with a year's total of \$112,441.80). The expenses for May totaled \$16,732.59 (with year's total of \$123,541.58). The difference of income to expenses for the year-to-date is 11,099.78. Of special note, an expenditure of \$9,042.83 was paid for labor on the outside condensing unit over the course of several months. The balance sheet shows the checking/saving account at \$123,664.58 but the majority of that money is credited to Capital Campaign money which totals \$75,651.16. This balance amount also includes Outreach funds of \$11,545.39 and the Youth fund of \$3,792.17. The Benevolent Fund balance is \$6,852.58. Nancy provided a Capital Campaign update on expenditures with completion of several items that included roof access, upgrading of the soundboard, Baby Closet expansion, repairs on the air conditioning, and parking lot/sidewalk repairs. Nancy also discussed next projects for completion along with other items that will remain on the list for completion. She intends to provide a congregational report on the status with "Fortifying for the Future" capital campaign. Due to inflationary costs, there was an increase to the parking lot expenses due to cists with concrete/steel/equipment rental necessary to complete the work. Work will be started on the parapets "soon". There are a few misc items remaining such as sealing for the parking lot to be followed by re-striping. Due to a clarification sought, the motel expense for the visiting Missionaries should be considered an expense for Missions versus Outreach budget. Also, a reminder was given that grant awards should have a 10% amount credited for administrative oversight. As always, if questions arise regarding any line item, please contact Nancy. A motion was made and seconded to accept the Treasurer's report as presented with the noted modification. Motion passed.

Minutes: The May minutes were approved following a motion and second.

Ministry Reporting

Fellowship/Membership: In Carla's absence, it was noted that the last covered dish dinner had a good attendance.

Outreach: Jack reminded the group that there will be no Harvester's distribution in July. He has a movie night planned for the 17th. The Milk to My Plate Program received \$1500 (which was below the requested amount). For discussion in this group, Jack presented information about contact made to use assistance with the Harvester's distribution for community service hours to be reported to a Probation officer. There was discussion about the pros and cons with this arrangement. He is willing to supervise the individuals—with stipulations for those accepted in this role. Per seconding of a motion made to this effect, motion was passed.

Personnel: Janice expressed appreciation for the hard work exhibited by paid staff throughout the year but had nothing further to report.

Administration/ Stewardship: Harry stated there has been some difficulty finding parts for our air conditioner unit due to the age of the unit. Work will be done with the alarm system for phone notification. Other than a prohibition against heavy trucks being on the asphalt, parking can now be done on the new parking lot surface. There was discussion about meeting ADA requirements for designated handicapped parking spots. Harry will provide follow through on this.

Worship: Brice let council members know that the choir will be performing periodically but not weekly. It will be dependent on Matt's assessment of the worship benefit and choir readiness. Pastor Ivan is scheduled to be out of the pulpit on July 10th.

Christian Education: Colleen reported that Vacation Bible School is scheduled for the end of July. At the next CE meeting, discussion will center around readiness for this event in addition to WWW start-up again for the fall session.

Missions: There was no report provided.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Ivan shared his monthly written report of activities prior to the meeting.

Moderator's Report: Pat had nothing new to report.

Old Business: A question was asked about the use of our Church as a COVID vaccine site. To date, the Health Department has not needed our space for this function.

New Business: There was much discussion about our aging heating and cooling units. This is something that needs to be considered for potential further discussion. This would need to occur with the entire congregation as to the pros and cons for moving to newer units given the expense involved and difficulty, at times, of obtaining needed components for repair.

Announcement: Chuck reported that Doorstep is not currently accepting any clothing items.

The meeting was closed with prayer.

The next Council meeting is scheduled for July 12th, 2022.

Respectfully submitted by

Fran Seymour-Hunter, Church Clerk