

**St. Jude MCC Board Meeting
January 14, 2019**

Board Members Present: Amy Lewis; Cynthia Collins; Donna Hinson; Garrett Tolley; Leeann Carpenter; Tim Corbett; John McLaughlin

Absent: Lay Delegate- Scott Smith.

Rev. John McLaughlin opened the meeting in prayer.

COMPLIMENTS AND CONCERNS FROM MEMBERS: None.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND ACTION ITEMS

AGENDA – the agenda was reviewed. Leeann made a motion to approve the agenda, and Amy seconded, and the motion was passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The December Minutes were not approved via email. Cynthia will send the minutes via email to all Board Members.

PASTOR'S REPORT BY REV. JOHN MCLAUGHLIN:

- Rev. John reported he received positive feedback from members regarding the move to one service.
 - Rev. John announced there will be more frequent bible study groups and times.
 - Rev. John thanked everyone for supporting the Christmas Cantata. It was one of the more well-attended Cantatas that we've had. The Choir was very happy for the support.
 - Employee Statuses: All employees except for Leon, who is still a contract employee are employees of the Church. Donna and Lonnie were contract employees. The Church did not withhold their taxes nor pay their social security tax.
 - Hurricane relief efforts; St. Jude's brought in about thirteen-thousand dollars in donations, primarily for the food pantry.
 - Rev. John received positive feedback on the congregational meeting.
 - Membership Update: We have one-hundred and two members.
 - No updates on office and staff schedules.
- Tim made a motion to approve the Pastor's report. Garrett seconded and the motion was passed.

FINANCE REPORT BY: Tom Janicki presented the finance report.

- Leeann and Donna asked Tom to let them know if the make accounting mistakes.
- The bank services fees were high because Carol bought checks before she left. There are only one-line signatures instead of two.
- Amy wanted to know if all donated money could be reported under tithes and asked why it was not counted as income? Tom's response was it was designated for a specific purpose and that this was an old policy that the previous board wanted. The board would like Tom to make the following changes:
 - distribute the finance report prior to Board meetings to give us an opportunity to review the budget before the meetings.
 - add page numbers
 - Workers Compensation. The Church is required to pay Workers Compensation and will purchase a policy.
 - report totals.
 - Tom asked if there was anything in the Finance report that can be added or deleted?
 - The Board would like to have a more active role in the Church's expense, and what was budgeted vs. what we spent vs what we budgeted
- Tim made a motion to approve the financial report. Leeann seconded, and the motion was passed unanimously.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT –

- Tim reported a very successful “We can do more” stewardship kick off.
- Board members were asked to sign-up for “We can do more” Openings.

FUNDRAISING REPORT: No report.

LAY DELEGATE REPORT: No report

BUILDING AND GROUNDS REPORT:

- Amy reported a permanent roof repair was completed.
- Another hole was found in the roof and was repaired for two-hundred and fifty dollars.
- The back door doesn't close well, and it shakes and makes a mess. Amy has scheduled a meeting with standard glass to be repaired.

NEW BUSINESS:

- St. Jude's need to get workers compensation insurance for St. Jude's employees. Donna H. and Rev. John will obtain quotes.
- Tables for dining hall
The foundation donated round dining tables to the Church. The wrong color was ordered and had to be returned. First tables have been returned. However, a refund authorization will be less than full price because shipping fees will not be included. The Board agreed to wait for the refund then order the right color. The expense will be taken from the kitchen improvement fund.

YARD SALES:

- Discussion about the viability of continuing yard sales due to low turnout.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:00 p.m.

Executive Session (if requested by Board Members)

The next monthly Board meeting is scheduled for:

February 11, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.