

King of Peace MCC
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
June 15, 2021

Establish a Quorum: Present: Board Members Susan Burhouse, Jeanne Scanlon, Susan McGrath, Ray Simms, Ian Gomez, Bob Pope and Rev. Renae Phillips. Also attending: Tim Uber, Holly Vernon and Jay Edwards.

At 6:35, Rev. Renae began the meeting with a devotional, followed by an opening prayer.

Meeting called to Order. With a quorum present, Rev. Renae called the meeting to order, with Ray reciting the Board of Director's Covenant of Leadership. Ray would serve as TimeKeeper, and Bob as Scribe.

Consideration of the Agenda: The Clerk's report was received prior to the meeting. Susan Burhouse moved, it was seconded, and during discussion, Susan had two corrections: On the first page, the total loss per month was listed as being \$17, 159. The correct figures were \$1,159. And on the second page, under the provision of where the money to balance the budget at the end of the year should have read: from the Board Reserve Fund as well as undesignated reserves. A motion to approve the clerk's report as amended, was passed unanimously. A corrected copy of the May Minutes will be provided so it can be noted in the website.

Ray moved to accept the Pastor's Report as submitted, it was seconded, and passed unanimously. Rev. Renae highlighted some aspects of the report, including the smooth transition, with our Melanie joining the staff, her experience in attending the raising of the Gay Flag at City Hall, and being introduced to folks there, the extraordinary effort of a great team to make the opening of in-person services run so well.

The Treasurer, Sue Burhouse, was unable to give a complete report, because we have not received the financial from our accounting firm for the month of April or May. Sue did, however, report that as of this date, we had \$59,290.71 in the bank. She indicated that from January 2021, we have had expenses exceed income by some \$1330 per week. If all holds true, we should have sufficient funds to carry us until we move from this current building in January 2022.

Action Item: Susan Burhouse moved to change accounting firms from Richard Commons, CPA, to Metzler Advisory, effective July 1, 2021. Bob seconded, and after some discussion on the Letter of Engagement which needs to be signed, with the suggestion that the financials need to be in our hands prior to the 3rd Tuesday of each month, without fail. The motion passed unanimously.

There were no email/zoom motions to place on the record.

Old Business:

Susan Burhouse reported that our application for the forgiveness of the First PPP loan had been approved by the SBA.

There was no update from the budget subcommittee.

Report on the Reopening for Worship. Rev Renae reported that as of July 4, there will be no requirement for person to register for church, all would be welcomed. However, the requirements for masks, and social distancing would continue to be in place, to protect our population, until further information is obtained to reduce this process.

Ian reported the continued progress on meeting the requirements to delete three easements currently on the property. He reported his conversation with Attorney Green, representing the buyer, and it was agreed that the first easement created no problem. However, the problem with Duke Energy, which must be modified, is currently in discussion with several attorneys, and he is seeking guidance on the best, and most beneficial means of accomplishing this. As to the third easement, he had advised Attorney Green that removing this easement might not be in the best interest of the buyer. She is taking this matter back to the buyer.

Rev Renae reminded the Board that we had voted not to continue the Cuba project, since no funds were available. However, since our last meeting in May, the church received a large gift designated to the Cuba project, which would allow the church to continue sending \$500 each month to Cuba for the support of those churches. A discussion was held on the best method of delivering these funds, with concern about our ability to provide dollars to Cuba, and the ability of the Cuban Churches to receive those funds in dollars. Rev. Renae will discuss this with Sherrill and Rev. Candace.

Jeanne reported, joyfully, that even with some rain, the interior of the church is not having too much water enter, and hopefully, this will continue.

Jeanne reported that the team visited St. Luke's Methodist church, and they are open to some type of relationship, but we have not gone further. Some discussion of another church on 74th, but details are confidential.

New Business: The Celebration of the ministry of Rev. Candace was discussed. The funds for this celebration have been paid into the church, and the date is now being cleared with Rev. Candace. It could be in July or August. Ian is looking at Boyd Hill Park, but he is investigating other locations.

A general discussion concerning the Policy and Procedure requirement for us to submit a proposed budget for the 2022 year, was lively, with the general knowledge that with the status of the church movement, the inability for teams and ministries to function during the past year, the development of a new budget will require more detailed discussion by the board.

There being no further business, Ray Simm prayed us out at 7:43, with the board then going into Executive Session, with thanks to those attending. Executive Session concluded at 8:40.

Respectfully Submitted:

Bob Pope, Clerk