

Big Canoe Chapel
Minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting
November 16, 2015
2:00 pm



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the community

BIG CANOE
Chapel

Present

Darryl Anderson (17)
Jerry Capps (16)
Lynn Burns (16)
Gary Cherry (16)
Lynn Cooper (17)
Jeff Dodson (16)
Roger Estill (18)
Dick Girdler (18)
Fred Gregg (16)
Jean James (18)
Lynne Knapp (17)
David Thompson (18)
Charley Vick (17)
Laura Walker (18)

Absent

Win Cates (17)
Rev. Lamar Helms
Leigh Young

Others Present

Rev. Len Walker
Roger Mosshart
Keith Scott

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Fred Gregg. Darryl Anderson presented a short devotional based on the Presidential Thanksgiving Proclamations of Presidents George Washington, John Adams, and James Madison, and also making reference to Psalms 92.1. The devotional was followed by Rev. Walker's opening prayer.

The minutes of the October 19, 2015 meeting were reviewed. Lynn Cooper offered a change in the wording of her report under Outreach Funds Allocation and Gary Cherry asked to have names removed from the voting record under the same section. Charley Vick moved, seconded by Dick Girdler, to accept the minutes as revised. The motion passed without dissent.

Rev. Walker's remarks focused on the strong Commitment Sunday held earlier in the month. More pledges have come in since then. He expressed his thanks to the Stewardship committee in their efforts. In Leigh Young's absence, there were no numbers reported.

Keith Scott from the Men's Fellowship gave a comprehensive report on that group's mission, ministries, enablers, and future. They are a vibrant, growing group

within the Chapel and are offering much needed services to not only the Chapel, but the surrounding community. The full report can be viewed on the Chapel website.

Roger Mosshart presented the **Financial Report**. At the end of October, revenue was down about \$50,000, with expenses also down about \$22,000, leaving a deficit of about \$28,000. He is not optimistic about the Chapel being able to make up that deficit by year-end. The result would be a decrease in funds available for Outreach. He stated that in the past the Chapel has used positive gains in the investment accounts to boost contributions to Outreach. However, these have been paper gains as we have not sold any investments to cover the gains allocated to Outreach. He suggested that going forward he will meet with the Finance Committee on a quarterly basis to see where the investment accounts stand. If positive, they will ask for the board's approval to sell enough funds to cover the amount to be allocated to Outreach.

Jerry Capps moved, seconded by Charley Vick, to accept the Financial Report. The motion passed without dissent.

Old Business:

Outreach Funds Allocation: Lynn Cooper reported that Bill Gibson, Chairman of the Scholarship and Education Committee, has submitted a policy which allows the BoT to have significant input into determining the emphasis placed on financial need in awarding scholarships. Several factors are considered when selecting scholarship recipients (e.g. financial need, academic achievement, participation in extracurricular activities, etc.). The weight given to each factor will be decided upon each year by the BoT. However, the Scholarship and Education Committee feels strongly that in no case shall the weight for academic achievement fall below 25% of the total score; to do so would compromise the academic excellence of recipients.

Family Promise update: Win Cates submitted his report electronically to Fred Gregg who reported that the group had completed the three focus groups. They will report their findings and recommendations at the January, 2016 BoT meeting.

New Business:

Committee Policies and Procedures: Fred Gregg opened the discussion by reminding the BoT that standing committee policies become Chapel policies and, therefore, need to be approved by the BoT. He asked committee liaisons to pay close attention to their committee policies to make sure that any changes are brought to the

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BoT for approval. Procedures can be changed without BoT approval. The following committee's policies were presented for approval:

Activities: With no changes deemed necessary, Lynne Knapp moved, seconded by Laura Walker, to approve their policy as submitted. The motion passed without dissent.

Christian Education: Their focus seems to be mostly on Youth education. The BoT would like to see more about Adult classes in their policies and procedures.

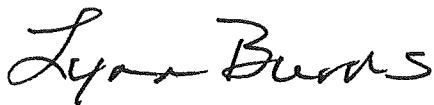
Endowment: Their policies and procedures are in the process of being updated.

Terraces: Jeff Dobson asked that the Scout Hut be added to exception #3 in their policies. Discussion followed concerning what happens to the excess funds earned during the year. Darryl Anderson, Terraces committee liaison, will find out what funds will be needed to start their upcoming year. It was then suggested that any excess funds convert to the Chapel to be used for Outreach

No vote was taken on the policies for Christian Education, Endowment, or Terraces. Liaisons are asked to convey our concerns to the committees.

After the closing prayer from Rev. Walker, Roger Estill moved, seconded by Lynn Cooper, to adjourn to Executive Session.

Respectfully submitted,



Lynn Burns
Secretary