

Congregational Meeting Minutes – February 7, 2010

Call to Order – Joy Grafton, moderator

Prayer – Joy Grafton, moderator

Financial Report 2009 – Don Vanzant, Pastor

Don is currently doing finances, but hopes to have another person take over financial responsibilities within the next 3 months. Responsibilities include writing checks and takes approximately 4 hours per week.

Don will put financial budget on website, so congregation can look at it and the church can be transparent with finances. Suggested that Don could divide budget by monthly costs/expenses, income and balance sheet.

Church currently only provides health insurance for Pastor & wife.

Church needs to set goals for finances, including the ability to provide full support for our own pastor and personnel. Personnel costs will be expected to comprise 50% of total church budget.

Financial Report motioned (Scott Zumwalt), seconded (Jessica Zumwalt) and passed unanimously.

Minister's Report – Don Vanzant, Pastor

Church council needs to have routine meetings.

Church currently has 33 members.

Average attendance for Sunday worship in 2009 was 46.

Today's attendance was largest in history of church = 57.

Church's concern in coming year is to establish a foundation of spiritual growth in order to be prepared to nurture newcomers and new members.

Organizational needs:

- Need to establish clear lines for decision-making
- Anticipated budget for 2010
- 2011 budget will need to be voted on by congregation
- Goal of having office space by fall 2010

Team Reports

Community Team, Molly Vanzant & Lee Ann Holt

Activities include men's Sunday afternoon basketball, bowling, Christmas party. Goals for summer include new ideas for Grill n Chill, separate activities for men and women.

Mission Team, Shawn Warder

Looking for suggestions for new activities. Past activities include work with Hope Center and David Agrasone's church. Looking for ways to serve that do not necessarily involve costly expenses.

Worship Team, Tom Grafton

Duties mainly involve week-to-week operations. Need better organization for carts in order to encourage help in setting up/tearing down.

Children's Ministry, Andrea Vanzant

Need volunteers to supply rotation for elementary workers and volunteers to help with set-up/tear-down. Possibility brought up about doing Easter Egg Hunt again for community (have done last 2 consecutive years). Goal in past has been to provide an event for community, not to advertise for church. Suggestions made for advertising event and whether to use event to provide better awareness for the church.

Motion (Scott Zumwalt) to have Egg Hunt event again this year, seconded (Jessica Zumwalt) and passed unanimously.

Need to form planning committee for event.

New Business

Motion for church to become 501C3 Corporation (Jessica Zumwalt), seconded and passed unanimously.

Motion for church to form committee to draft Constitution & By-Laws (Don Vanzant), seconded and passed unanimously.

Suggested committee members: Bill Kidwell, Jessica Kidwell, Larry Mitchell

Goal is to bring constitution to congregation within 3 months.

Need to gather committee members for Connect Committee.

Need to advertise leading up to one year anniversary of launch in anticipation of people searching for new church home.

Adjournment – Joy Grafton, moderator

Benediction – Tom Grafton

Minutes recorded by Tom Grafton, member.