Deacon Meeting Minutes – March 21, 2010

In attendance:

Bruce Eckel, Rob Christiansen, Jason Lee, Kevin Kritzberger, Rob Lofthouse, George Hardy, Eric Sherer, Joe Meier,

Excused: Kamba Kanubi, Mark Hardy, John Romero,

Absent: Shawn Sommons

****Opening****

Bruce opened with a Devotional from James 2
Meeting started at 7:00pm

****Committee Reports***

Activities –

- Soul Surfer Movie Event April 9th 10AM – Cost $7.50– EBFC rented the Carmike Theatre
- Joint effort with Evangelism team

Benevolence –

- Balance $16,181.20 – Not including funds for Japan
- At least $900 in cash for Japan Fund was received; Checks yet uncounted
- Joe reviewed and was impressed with Clement's current healthy financial status
- His only debt is $2700 for Immigration Fees; Proposed one-time special offering to assist with this.
- Written strategy provided to John R. for ushers to properly handle visitors requesting financial help. (See report)

Counting –

- Only lost one counter which was quickly filled
- One additional counter has shown interest to be a backup

ELM: Helping Hands –

- No requests have recently surfaced
- Everything is status quo.

ELM: Caregivers –

- Established a committee of 3: Rob Christiansen, Allan Griffin, and Tom Galloway
- Discusing and documenting setup and guidelines
- Looking to do a pilot effort with one or two individuals; Looking for recommendations of people to serve
- Looking for volunteers aware of the ongoing/overtime nature of ministry
- Some names were brainstormed.

Ushers/ Emergency Response/Evacuation -

- New Ushering structure in place for upcoming church schedule change.
- First aide boxes are up to date
- Please remind people to fill out first aide replacement form when taking items from the boxes.

Ordinances –

- Upcoming baptism on March 27th.
- Question posed about whether Kamba had been trained or a baptism volunteer was in place to assist with this need

Security –

- Continuing to promote/plan for a Church Security Seminar June 10-11
- Putting together training for ushers/ greeters. Dry run expected at next security meeting.
- Hoping to have training plan completed by April
- Sunday Morning Security Schedule will not change, but shift based on new service hours.
- Working with Kevin to upgrade camera system likely some time in April (10 cameras total)
- New system will record video data for possible review weeks later.
- Security team has several local police officers. Scheduling a training day for these local department to become familiar with the church's interior. Potential summertime training.

Transportation –

- Kevin provided update:
- We got the OK from the elders to purchase a van but the vans in consideration would not fit our need.
- One van that would fit our need is currently priced too high at $22,000.
- Discussion about our needs and what the original purpose was for pursuing this.

Community Concerns -

- Bruce is getting back up to speed with Manna Ministries
- Looking to meet up with CareNet

Property -

- Order was supposed to be placed next week.
- Pulpit renovation likely to be next month
- Tentative start date for work with pews will be first week in July
- Looking at strategies to sell pews rather than pay to remove them.
- Occupancy sensors are completed in many rooms
- Proceeding to replace boiler in parsonage.

Church-School Liason –

- No big issues.
- Plan to meet again before the end of the school year

Shawn Sommons -

New Business -

- Need to stop people from bringing food/drink into sanctuary. Some are not being obedient despite warnings.
- Consider making people aware of expectations in the Sanctuary from here forward.
- Proposing announcement in service.

****Closing****

Next meeting May 16, 2011

-Respectfully submitted by Jason Lee

ACTIVITIES MEETING

DATE: 2/16/11
KEVIN OPENED IN PRAYER AT 6:00 PM

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- WINTER SPORTS: ALL CHURCH SKI OUTING TO CAMELBACK MTN. WAS RAINED OUT
- SPORTS: ATHLETES FOR CHRIST FINISHED A BASKETBALL PROGRAM IN MARCH. EXPLORING SOCCER LEAGUE FOR THE SPRING. SOFTBALL IS STARTING UP NOW.
- CAMPING: JUNE 10^{TH} – 12^{TH}
- SOUL SURFER MOVIE EVENT: APRIL 9^{TH} , 10 AM
- MEET AND GREET: NEXT THREE MONTHS ARE SET AND THE GROUPS ARE BEING FORMED.

NEW BUSINESS: PICNIC WILL BE DETERMINED BY AVAILABILITY ON CHURCH CALENDAR. DETAILS WILL BE MADE AT NEXT MEETING.

NEXT MEETING WILL BE IN APRIL TO DISCUSS FUTURE COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION AND EVENTS.
CLOSING PRAYER WAS AT 7:15 PM

Benevolence Meeting

February 9, 2011, 7pm

Benevolence Report – March 2011 Deacon's Meeting

Attendance: Kevin Kritzberger, Maria and Eric Sherer, and Joe Meier

Excused: Bruce Eckel, Chris and Bob Erland

Joe Opened in Prayer

As of today, the Benevolence Fund balance is $16,181.20.

- Review of support made for a women attendee and payments we have made on her behalf, Jan – car payment $375, and Feb doctor bill - $380. She owes $762 to this physician group. The physician group has agreed to delay further payments after this $380 payment until June, and then she will pay at least $50 mth until the entire $762 is paid off. She will have another debt paid off by June so that she will be able to afford this payment arrangement.
- Refugee Family - Joe went over Clement's family budget in detail. He was very impressed how organized Clement's finances were. They are tithing, and putting about $50/mth in savings. His wife, Bridget, also has a part-time job at a restaurant. They are covering all their bills. The Benevolence Committee agreed to continue the $500/mth support for their rental house until they can save at least $1,000 in an emergency fund. We agreed to review again at our August 2011 meeting.
- Kevin brought up the idea of designating an upcoming Sunday Benevolence Fund to paying off Clement's Family immigration fee. They still owe about $2,700. Jason Hoy will bring this up at the March Elder's Meeting. Hopefully we can arrange this for the first Sunday in April. We would also ask Clement to say a few words that he could personally thank the congregation.
- Woman Member – Eric to meet with her regarding her finances, checking to see what we paid on what we committed to. She is still having trouble doing her monthly budget.
- Joe needs to write up the procedure of those who request financial help on Sunday. We have had issues with people coming for help that have taken advantage of our generosity and ignoring our helpful suggestions. We do not want to continue to enable the few people who do this, and also we need to eliminate the confusion for the ushers. Basically the procedure will be:
    - Someone requests money
    - We will ask them to complete the Intake form (ushers will get this from Joe's mailbox)
    - The usher will put the completed form in Kevin Kritzberger's mailbox. Kevin will deal with the request on Monday.
    - The usher will escort the person to Room #7 if they need some assistance with food. They can take some of the bakery items we give away each Sunday.
    - The usher will escort them out to the parking lot and make sure they do not beg from people in the parking lot.

Kevin closed in prayer and the meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

In Christ,

Joe Meier

Caregivers Report - March 2011

Formed and met on two occasions with Caregivers committee.
(Rob Christiansen, Allan Griffin, and Tom Galloway)
• Discussed goals and objectives of the ministry.
• Currently working through and discussing ministry setup / guidelines.
Initially working towards "piloting" with one or two widows in need, or until more members volunteer.

Please prayerfully consider a member of our congregation who might benefit from having our group volunteer to work with them on a quarterly basis.
Also, please pray that more members of our congregation would volunteer to serve in this ministry.

Submitted by: Rob Christiansen

Property Meeting Minutes
February 21, 2011

In attendance were: George Hardy, Kevin Kritzberger, Otis Powell, Wayne Batten, Doug Files, Dave Van Schoick and Lisa Pyles.

Plans for the sanctuary renovation project were finalized with the following recommendations to the board of Elders;

Order a total of 98 new pew-style chairs: 36 stackable choir chairs, 44 regular for the first two rows and 18 stackable for the last row. The last row will be stored in room 4 and would not be used unless the service would be large enough to require it.
The wood color for the pews and chairs would be Chestnut on Northern Red Oak with Johnson textile Wellington Lancaster fabric in Sage color. Extra fabric to be ordered to replace the blue fabric in the choir loft dividers.
The Pew end caps would be in the EM-8 style.
The carpet will be Change in Attitude J0112, color 12313 Game Up with bonded padding from the factory.
Order needs to be place by March 11th to meet our projected start date of the first week in July.

Occupancy Sensor update – Rooms 5, 8 and bathroom, 10, 14, kitchen, serving room, handicap bathroom, crib nursery, and the finance office are done. Kevin will send in for the rebate claim as soon as possible.

In review of the capital improvement budget for 2011 it was decided to wait six months before doing any of the projects planned for this year to see if the finances are available for these projects.

We received our first quote for replacing the boiler in the parsonage which has been giving us numerous problems over the past two years. It is for a standard EFM brand oil burner from Burkholder HVAC and would cost $6,300 for the complete replacement.

Next meeting date April 18, 2011 at 6:30pm.

Prepared by George Hardy

Transportation Report

March 2011

- Purchase of a new van is on hold.
    - It was unfortunately discovered (rather late 'in the game') that all three 'leads' were actually not 15 passenger vans, but instead seated 12. Currently, there are no other immediate 'leads' (i.e. great deals).
- Bethlehem Ford has just received an addition van to their lot - 15 passengers (for real).
    - Kevin discussed with their Sales Manager an offer to purchase the new van at a high discount, and mark the 'difference/balance' as a tax deductible donation to EBFC. The manager expressed a desire to do so, but said they are unable to do so at this time.
- Both vehicles (and 58 people) made it down and back from D.C. (3/18-19) without incident.
- Experiencing increased frustration with the 'last van rental shop in the area'.
    - At pickup, they 'strong-armed' church staff into purchasing 'body damage insurance' when we already have coverage (complete coverage for rentals – same level as our own vehicles) through our insurance. This resulted in an unnecessary $120 being added to the total bill.
    - Since the EBFC Debit card was being used, they said their insurance was required. When using a Debit Card (Ramsey needs to give up on this), they can't hold as much in escrow as they can if you have a credit card; hence the reason you can rarely get a hotel room or rental car anymore without a major credit card.

Mark Hardy
Transportation Chairman

March 2011 REPORT

USHER: With the changing to the worship services starting the last week of March 2011, we will be changing the following:

Downsizing to two ushers team per service
Changing some Head Usher positions
Moving ushers where needed
Developing a substitute list

The new list of usher for Sunday will be out by midweek.

We are also planning with the Security team a training class for all Head ushers and ushers this will take place sometime soon.

FIRST AID: All first aid boxes at the church are updated and filled. Please continue to help communicate the importance of filling out the replacement form when items are used. This helps in filling the boxes without taking inventory.

EMERGENCY EVACUATION: No activity

Respectively Submitted,

John Romero