

WLC STRATEGIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES - UNAPPROVED

Meeting: March 2024 Church Council Meeting **Facilitator:** Ann Baumann
Date: 3/12/2024 **Minute taker:** Janice Jones
Location: Online

Start/End Time: 6:30 - 8:30 AM

AGENDA ITEM

DISCUSSION POINTS

ACTION ITEMS

Call to Order/Quorum

Voting participants present: Ann Baumann, Jason Frye, Sheryl Breiholz, Wade Amundson, Janice Jones, Charlie Wesser, Ross Gerber, Todd Watanabe, Evan Parkhurst

Action: Meeting called to order.

Voting participants not present: All voting members present

Action: Quorum present

Non-voting participants present: Pastor Tom, Mike Ehnstrom

Opening/Devotion/Prayer

Pastor Tom opened our meeting with a time of devotion, reflection and focused, individual prayers.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes

February minutes were reviewed and approved after updating that Charlie Wesser was in attendance.

Action: 2/13/2014 Minutes approved

Financial Highlights

February income was \$287,120 which was less than budgeted income by \$17,687 (-5.8%)

Action: 2/13/2024 Financials approved

Mike Ehnstrom

YTD income was \$528,365 which was less than budgeted YTD income by \$81,268 (-13.3%)

February expenses were \$307,778 which were less than budgeted expenses by \$33,124 (-9.7%)

YTD expenses were \$619,800 which were less than budgeted YTD expenses by \$55,374 (-8.2%)

YTD net income was -\$91,435 as compared to 2023 YTD net income of \$45,372

Balance sheet: Total liabilities and equity as of 2/29/2024 = \$11,583,997

Commentary:

- Donation income down. WLC's largest donor did not set up annual giving until March. Will be retroactive to Jan/Feb.

- 60640 - Fellowship: Up-front expenditures for Lenten meals => reimbursed by proceeds.

- 60640 - Fellowship: Coffee now expensed to Fellowship, not Worship Supplies; will adjust budget.

- 60053 - Benefits: Need to adjust budget up to meet actual requirement.

Upcoming Capital Expenditures:

- Sound upgrade at VC: \$250K \$100K spent so far for equipment down payment Funding source: LTC

- Townhouse repair/refresh \$14K Drywall & flooring complete; will reinstall cabinets Funding source: Bldg Mx

- Coffee machines all campuses: \$12K Own instead of rent; 2 yr break-even. Install after Easter Funding source: LTC

- Water softening at VC: \$14K Kinnetic April 3 install in newer building; pre-decisional on original. Funding source LTC

- Primary A/C unit at VC: \$21K Contracted w/ McDowell Co. April install Funding source: Bldg Mx

DISCUSSION TOPICS

One & Three Year Plans:

Grow:

How are things going & how can we support?

- There were issues capturing 2023 data accurately; it is not correct - fyi.

Pastor Tom

- Total attendance is up YOY by 134

Mike Ehnstrom

- Live-stream to in-person worship has leveled out.

Ann Baumann

- In-person attendance is up at all three campuses.

- Church Center tracking is working well.

- Disciple Life.2: 48 new people joining + 13 from last year as leaders/helpers. Multiplying in a great way; all feeds into EOS goals of making disciples to make disciples.

- Together Mentoring on a similar, positive trajectory.

Serve:

- Growing as well. Pastor Daniel doing a great job creating continuity between campuses.

EOS Update:

- Reviewed Vision Traction Organizer and upcoming quarterly planning meeting. Reviews will be graded by Core Values as outlined therein.

- Discussed updating for Council as well.

- Discussed 15 year target and provided update regarding marketing strategy.

- Quarter 1 Rocks: 71% complete vs. 80%. Still a work in progress.

Bethel Merger Opportunity:

- Conversations are ongoing.

- They will be visiting all campuses on March 17. A feasibility study will be completed after that.

Ministry Action Team (MAT) Reports

Ann Baumann

Constitution and Bylaws:

- Governance document reviewed amongst others. Adding investment policies.

- Ann will provide additional documents for us to review; asked us to provide timely feedback.

- Holding Town Hall meetings in April to review proposed changes. We will have one more opportunity to review, make changes and approve prior to. Will open up for congregational vote in May.

- Town Hall dates: April 14 at OH & WR, April 21 at VC.

Financial Advisory Team:

- Time did not allow us to review and discuss Investment Policies. Will do online or at next meeting.

May Planning Meeting

Will be held in-person at the VC campus from 6:30am to 10:30am.

Closing Prayer

Council closed in prayer.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned.

Action: Motion made & passed to adjourn.