

Asbury Leadership Team Meeting 5.6.25 Recap

Asbury's Leadership Team met on Tuesday, May 6, 2025 for the team's monthly meeting. After an opening prayer, the team's sub-groups gave their reports.

The Finance sub-group shared that the amount received for the year is \$176,187.98 which is \$19,950.53 over the expected amount and that expenses have totaled \$157,838.92 which is \$1,601.46 over budget. One of the reasons we are over on expenses for the year is due to our January apportionments to the Dakotas Conference. Apportionments are paid to the Conference in proportion to the previous month's giving. Since we had a number of gifts given in the month of December, the January apportionments were larger than a normal month. Updates were given on the new reimbursement process where we are using bill.com for approving and processing expenses. The staff are also being reimbursed through their paychecks which has been working well. The March financial statements were submitted and approved by the team.

The Trustees sub-group was unable to meet since the previous Leadership Team meeting due to a sub-group member bing sick. The Leadership Team did a walkthrough of the building on April 28 looking at a variety of maintenance needs and possible improvements in order to help the Trustees sub-group put a list of priorities together for ongoing projects. One question that came from that meeting was about the proposed removal of an exterior door in a storage area located in what had been Asbury's original office off of the Sanctuary. The concern was whether that door was needed as a fire exit, but the Trustees sub-group informed the team that the door's removal had actually been suggested by the fire department.

Pastor Kip reported that Asbury's in-person attendance in April averaged 249 per Sunday which is the largest average attendance we have had since Covid. For the year, Asbury is averaging 198 per Sunday in in-person attendance. Pastor Kip also spoke of the nine confirmands Asbury received into membership on April 27 and the \$16,780 given to Tree of Life during the season of Lent as reasons for celebration. Finally, Pastor Kip gave updates on this year's Dakotas Annual Conference which will take place in Mitchell from June 5-8. It was also mentioned that the June Missions trip to MMDC still has room for three more team members.

The next meeting of the Asbury Leadership Team is on Tuesday, June 3, 2025 in Room 106.