

Burke Community Church
 Council of Elders Meeting Minutes
 March 6, 2017 6:30 p.m.

Attendees:

Marty Baker (Pastor/Elder)	Richard Dick (Elder)
Curt Hammill (Elder)	David Pennington (Elder)
Darren Brown (Pastor)	Allen Miller (Elder)

The meeting opened with prayer at 6:35 p.m.

I. Business

Discussion Lead	Topic
Council	Approval of minutes for COE Meeting February 18
Pastor Baker	Staff update
Curt Hammill	MPC Update
Council	Grace Group
Richard Dick	Pastor Appraisal 2016
Pastor Bob Thornton	Care and Counseling Center Update

Council	Agenda for Elder/Staff Offsite	June 2017

II. Meeting Notes

- a. Council approved appointment of Richard Dick as Clerk, relieving Dave Pennington who is scheduled to rotate off the Council in May, 2017. Council thanked Dave for his service. Dave volunteered to notify his points of contact for clerk duties of the change.
- b. Council approved minutes of February 18, 2017 Council of Elders meeting.
- c. Pastor Darren provided an update on BCC Staff activity, announcing that staff had selected Christine Little as the new BCC Kitchen Assistant. He noted that she had already begun to restore order to the kitchen area. Pastor Darren announced that Doris Paul was leaving staff to work full time at the Lamb Center. Council agreed that she would be missed but noted that Pastor Matt was already examining new options for staffing Youth Ministry.

Curt Hammill provided the COE with an update from the MPC, discussing overall costs, financing options. Executive Session minutes contain details.

- d. Richard Dick announced that he had sent the lay elders a draft Senior Pastor performance appraisal and requested comments in 1-1.5 weeks.
- e. Pastor Bob Thornton briefed the Council on the progress of the working group examining options for a possible Care and Counseling Center at BCC (presentation attached). The group is looking systematically at what avenues for care and counseling seem most needed at BCC and in the larger community, what resources already exist in the area, and how BCC might help, especially in the context of the new building. Council praised Bob's presentation and requested the following:
 1. With respect to counseling, focus on near term counseling needs in the congregation, as well as planning for appropriate space in the new campus.
 2. With respect to care, plan to the longer term, looking at care as outreach. Identify needs currently unmet in the area, existing resources and shortfalls (within and outside BCC).
 3. For both counseling and care, to give priority to the greatest unmet needs.
 4. Report to Council in June with recommendations.
- f. Grace Group discussion is documented in executive session minutes.
- g. Pastoral Care discussion is documented in executive session minutes.

The council concluded with prayer at 9:45 p.m.

Calendar items:

March 12, 2017 – Communion Sunday

Next Meetings:

- COE meeting Saturday, March 18 at 8:30 a.m. (Allen Miller lead)
- COE meeting Monday, April 3, at 6:30 p.m. (Dave Pennington lead)

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Dick
Clerk of the Council
March 13, 2017