

**Burke Community Church
Council of Elders Meeting Minutes
April 21, 2018, 8:00 a.m.
Discussion Leader: Bob Ashton**

Attendees:

Bob Ashton (Elder), Darren Brown (Pastor), Richard Dick (Elder), Dave DuHadway (Elder), Curt Hammill (Elder), Gordon Kesting (Elder), Allen Miller (Elder), Joe Terry (Elder)

The meeting opened with prayer at 8:05 a.m.

I. Business

Discussion Lead	Topic
Council	Approve minutes for COE Meeting April 9, 2018
Pastor Darren/Subcommittee	Discuss way ahead for governance subcommittee
Council	Finalize agenda for May congregational meeting; schedule information meetings, notifications; set quorum for meeting; approve bulletin announcement
Allen Miller	Brief Council on Blessings over Spending
Council	Discuss scheduling of 2018 pastor-elder offsite
Pastor Darren/Curt Hammill	Review Construction Liaison monthly report; lead discussion of INTEC/WJ meeting
Curt Hammill	Meeting with INTEC owner
Curt Hammill	Consider revising capital campaign goal
Pastor Darren	Staff update

II. Meeting Notes

- a. **Minutes.** The Elders approved the minutes for the April 9, 2018 regular and executive sessions. The executive session minutes included the results of the April 9, 2018 meeting between BCC staff and elders, INTEC, and Whitener Jackson.

- b. **Congregational Meeting preparations.** The Council reviewed Curt's draft slides for the meeting. Richard agreed to supply a slide on the constitutional changes to be proposed to the congregation at a special congregational meeting in late summer or early fall. The elders noted that no quorum count will be required at the May 20, 2018 congregational meeting because no business will be transacted. In preparation for the meeting, the Council discussed in executive session specifics on the construction loan, Blessings over Spending, and possible updates to the capital campaign.

- c. **Strategic planning.** The Council noted the need to refine BCC's strategic direction, especially in view of the need to use the new building most efficiently for God's kingdom. The elders agreed to constitute a Strategic Planning subcommittee to help Pastors Marty and Darren in this effort; members will include Pastor Darren, Dave DuHadway, Gordon Kesting, and Bob Ashton. Also in this context, the elders discussed possible dates for the pastor-elder offsite but did not schedule the meeting, pending input from the subcommittee.

- d. **Building project.** The Council discussed in executive session the next upcoming meeting with INTEC and Whitener Jackson. The Council also reviewed the Construction Liaison report, noting the encouraging prospect for county approval of the sheeting and shoring permit by May 18, 2018, with the permits for footing and foundation immediately afterwards. This action will jump-start the excavation and foundation work, while awaiting permit reviews for the main construction and renovation. Four of the seven areas covered in the permits have been approved. The Building, Plumbing and Fire Marshal areas are still under review.

- e. **Global Leadership Summit.** The Council acknowledged the controversy surrounding Pastor Bill Hybels while also noting Willow Creek Association's continued commitment to the summit. The Council supported the BCC staff's decision to continue to plan to host the GLS in August 2018.

- f. **Staff update.** Pastor Darren briefed the Council on possible staff changes in executive session.

The meeting ended with prayer at 11:45 a.m. and was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by
Richard Dick,
Clerk of the Council of Elders