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Elder Board Meeting Minutes  
July 22, 2025  
GCC Community Room

**Members Present:** Dan Brewer, Carol Walton, Senior Pastor Ryan Miller, Mark Harger, Hannah Goering, Nancy Westover, Charlene Quint

**Members Absent:** John Skillman

Pastor Ryan opened the meeting in prayer at 6:35pm. The Board shared prayer requests and engaged in a time of prayer.

Nancy motioned to approve the minutes of June 10, 2025 and Dan seconded. The Board voted to approve the minutes with Charlene abstaining. Dan motioned to approve the minutes of the July 8 meeting and Mark Harger seconded. The board voted to approve the minutes with Nancy and Charlene abstaining.

Hannah proposed to change the format of scheduled Board meetings. After discussion, the Board adopted the following change:

The meeting held on the second Tuesday of the month was to be held in the Community Room to start at 6:30 PM-extending to 9:00 PM, as needed, to address the business of the Board.

The meeting on the fourth Tuesday of the month was to be held via ZOOM, starting at 6:40pm and ending by 8:00pm. It was to primarily focus on Growth and Development and prayer, in addition to any urgent business.

Ryan presented a plan for going through the book *Lead with Prayer: The Spiritual Habits of World-Changing Leaders* by Ryan Scoog, Peter Greer, and Cameron Doolittle.

The Board discussed the appointment of current and new Directors to current and new Elders. The following were agreed upon:

Charlene- Pastor Stacie Hintz  
Nancy- Nikki Behler and Stuart Swank  
Carol- Daniel Lense and Mary Ann Voeks  
Dan- Carrie Yeaman and Mike Rancharan  
Mark- Gary Elsbury  
Hannah- Pastors Brian Walter and Ryan Miller  
John- Dave Ulrich and Pastor Paul Kattner

Director's Meeting assignments were determined to be the following:

September 14-Mark Harger

October 5- Carol Walton

November 2- Nancy

December 7- Charlene

The Board discussed the usefulness of the min-congregation list of each Elder, Director and Pastoral Staff as established during the COVID epidemic. It was decided that the leadership person associated with each group as of June 2025 was to be asked to review and update their list with those remaining active at GCC. Nikki was to update those in Leadership as to new people who were active. Current leadership will need to incorporate those newly identified as active at GCC with a person in a leadership position to foster connection between leadership and congregants.

Pastor Ryan presented a need for Contingency Plans to address a potential crisis in four areas. Elders were to present a plan paired with each of the following:

Mark- Flood

Charlene and Dan- Active shooter

John and Nancy- Fire

Hannah and Carol- Prolonged pastoral incapacity

A review of the Leadership Questionnaires was postponed to the next business meeting.

Hannah closed the meeting in prayer at 9:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Westover

GCC Church Secretary