

GCC Elder Meeting Minutes – February 14, 2017

Attendees: Pastor Chris Stephens, Tom Hood, Tricia Elsbury, Paul Kattner, Ron Kilik, and Laura Kassel.

Absent: Fran Yanuzzi, Robin Wantoch.

Tom Hood opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. and gave the opening prayer.

1. God sightings – The Elders shared prayer concerns and reflections of how God has been moving in their lives and in those around them. We then spent time in collective prayer.
2. When Jesus Returns – The Elders discussed their overall impressions of the book and what they learned from it.
3. Congregational Meeting – The Elders shared thoughts about the meeting flow, the discussion, and the conclusion.
4. Evaluation of Directors – Pastor Chris will perform Luke Copeland's performance review first. He also noted the order of which he'll conduct the remaining ones.
5. Building Use Policy – Pastor Chris gave some background as to current issues being faced in the use of our facility by GCC ministries vs. non-GCC events. The Elders discussed the proposed Building Use Policy, presented by Pastor Chris. **Motion:** Paul Kattner moved to adopt the Building Use Policy as presented. Seconded by Tricia Elsbury. **Motion Passed.**
6. Recap of Leadership Retreat – Pastor Chris provided a recap of the recent GCC leadership retreat. The Directors will be asked to submit their top 2 priorities of action items that resulted from the discussions at the retreat.
7. Status of recent email discussion – Tom Hood shared a recent conversation of the Elder sub-group (Tom Hood, Robin Wantoch, and Tricia Elsbury) with a given congregational member concerning some issues that were brought to the Elders a couple weeks ago. Since that meeting, several emails were exchanged as well. Tom will follow-up with the individual regarding the next steps.
8. Finances – Pastor Chris recently sent out the summary of the January 2017 financials. Overall, January was a good month, especially since it had 5 Sundays in it.
9. Paul Kattner's Licensure – Paul Kattner expressed his desire and shared a formal written request to the Board of Elders to pursue Licensure at GCC. He explained what licensure represents, and the process of approvals needed to obtain this (i.e. Board of Elders, then congregational approval). Pastor Chris suggested that it might be more appropriate that Paul be considered for Ordination instead of Licensure. He will send supporting materials to the Board for their review regarding the Ordination process and purposes.
10. State of the Church – Pastor Chris shared information on his goals for the year.

Paul Kattner closed the meeting in prayer. The meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Respectively Submitted,
Laura Kassel,
Board of Elders