

Elder Meeting Minutes of 03-20-18

Attending: Candy, Dennis, Eileen, George, Jodi, Kerry, Mark, Mary, Roger, Scot, Sean, Sharon

Not Attending: Rex

Congregational Attendees: Cynthia H. and Judy R.

Opening Prayer: Eileen, 48 times in the book of Acts it says “they prayed”

8 Acts of a Growing Church by Rick Warren

Prayers of the People

Agenda Items

Strategic Outlook

1. Extensive discussion to come up with a **mission** statement (who are we, who will we be serving) and a **vision** statement (what do we want to be known for)
2. Suggested **mission statement** “We are a faith based Christian community who worship God our Father and follow the teachings of Jesus Christ. We believe the Bible is the word of God”
3. Suggested **vision statement** “Go to the people, leading them to follow Jesus Christ. The Chapel is a place to believe, to belong, to serve”
 - A. These are a work in progress. Keep prayerfully considering and working on these two items because they are of the utmost importance
 - B. Ideas will be presented to the congregation with a line for suggestions before any decisions will be finalized
4. Our **values** are the 7 Marks of Discipleship: Pray Daily, Worship Weekly, Study the Bible, Serve in and beyond the Chapel, Connect in Christian friendship, Share our faith, and Give our time, talents, and resources

5. We need to set **Goals for our future!**

A. 4 workgroups (admin, education, ministry, and outreach)

Set 1 goal for 1 month, 2-3 years, 3-5 years

Read Anastasia's letter as guidance

B. These goals will be presented to the congregation

Pastor's Report

1. Vacation April 2-8
2. Great Banquet in Chicago

Safety/Security Policies

1. Reminder to review the binder in the copy room
2. Linn Township has agreed to patrol our campus on Sunday mornings
3. Elders approve Sean to proceed with training of staff and volunteers

Outreach Update

1. Everything we can do to involve others is important.
2. Chapel rummage sale netted over \$2,000 Blessed to be a blessing
3. Chapel family donated \$500 to Side by Side, inspired by coin jar donations

Administration Update

1. Metro Sound & Video \$24,230 we will accept proposal, and schedule install

Ministry Update

1. Shuttle program has been implemented due to no parking in the circle drive. Currently have 2 drivers. Candy T. is looking for more volunteers
2. Sean is in the process of contacting candidates for Worship Director
3. Elders are encouraged to contact Sean with personal feelings on whether Elders should share the responsibility of scripture reading on Sundays
The more included is the more invested. Any congregation that invites others to help is stronger.
4. Carol W. is starting a Christian Book Club at the Chapel on April 29

Performance/Compensation review recommendation

1. Candy, Mary, Roger, and Sharon accepted a goal to complete this by the April meeting because Sean and Colleen deserve/desire guidance
2. Sean encouraged to continue to utilize screen in preaching

Chapel Marriage Ministry

1. Dennis will report any updates at the April meeting

Review membership policy

1. Roger is researching this for the April meeting

Closing Prayer: Eileen

Next Meeting: April 10, 2018 at 6:00 pm Devotions: George