Elder Meeting Minutes of 03-12-19

Attending: Adam, George, Jodi, Kerry, Mark, Mary, Rich, Roger, Sean

Not Attending: Scot

Congregation Members: Colleen, Judy R.

Opening Prayer: Rich, Hebrews 1-3, Focus your eyes on Jesus...when you look only at your feet, you go crooked. Look forward to the finish line (Jesus)

Prayers of the people

Agenda Items

1. CAC

- **A.** Colleen presents the Proposed Christian Arts Center 2019-2020 Slate Roger motions to approve, Mary seconds the motion, motion carries
- **B.** Elders request a 1 page synopsis from the CAC board explaining the purpose/goals of the CAC

2. Pastors Report

- **A.** Elder Retreat possible in the next two months to specifically discuss strategic planning
- Sean and our strategic planning team will communicate with the congregation about strategic planning, via town hall meetings on April 7th and May 5th

3. Outreach Update

- **A.** Bill L (strategic planner) and Sean have discussed whether Chapel will require transformative change or incremental change. If transformative change is to happen, this needs to come from the top (Elders) and Sean states that the Elders need to open themselves to that possibility.
- **B.** Get a little more comfortable being uncomfortable
- C. Make tithing a goal for Missions in our 2020 proposed budget

4. Ministry Update

- **A.** Identify the missions we are supporting, involve the congregation
- **B.** Bring a Friend Sunday, perhaps once a month?
- C. Potluck in Parish Hall with themes on quarterly basis, check with Candy
- **D.** Sean to work with committee on ways to add to the healing service

5. Education Update

A. Chapel 101 class to be offered by Sean, Elders are encouraged to attend

6. Administration & Communication Update

- **A.** Sean nominates Roger as moderator of the elder board.

 Roger will accept position of **Moderator** for a 3 month trial period/to allow Pastor Sean more time to focus on his key areas of ministry
- **B.** Roger will contact Elders between the meetings to follow up
- **C.** Roger's only role on the Board will be to fulfill the role of Moderator, he will work closely with Kerry regarding the Agenda and Minutes
- **D.** Sean will be the Spiritual Advisor and as Head of Staff will continue to report to the board

7. Finance Update

- **A.** Roger suggests that Finance Committee search for a local accounting firm to prepare our financial statements (Is this something Julie could organize?)
- **B.** Roger requests tax returns. Churches are exempt from filing tax statements
- **C.** Roger suggests that Eric (Treasurer) attends Elder meetings quarterly, unless otherwise needed more often

Closing Prayer: Rich, "Help us to have the vision to follow you properly"

Next meeting: April 9, 2019 6 pm Conference Room