

River Valley Alliance Church
Governing Board Meeting
October 18, 2018

Present: Tim Beine, Matt Colosky, Dan Ellsworth, Joe Haberkorn, Justin Roberts, Greg Schroeder, Jeremy Walker, Pastor Dave Zimmermann.

Absent: Art Ebert, Charlene Flint, Chris Mertens

Guests: Pastor Caleb Atkins, Pastor Michael Golemi, Robin Walker.

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. Pastor Golemi opened the meeting with prayer. Matt Colosky gave a devotion.

Previous Minutes: It was **moved** by Greg Schroeder to approve the September 20, 2018 Minutes. Second by Jeremy Walker. Motion passes.

Pastoral Report: Pastor Zimmermann: A written report was submitted. The ministry team meets on the first and third Wednesdays of each month at 1:00 pm for prayer. This is going well. *Acts 1:8 Commission:* Nancy Zimmermann presented on the Shared Mission Group on October 14 during services. Sue Trepte from Haus of Peace will share in November. River Valley has sponsored the current residents of Haus of Peace. The Training of New Leaders is going well. They have had 3 of 6 meetings.

Disciplemaking Ministries:

Adults: A written report was submitted. Both classes of adult Sunday school are going well. Currently there are approximately 50-60 participants between the two classes. Classes will run until December 9 and will resume January 6. This fall continues to offer many and varied options for adults who want to get involved in Worship Plus 1. Almost every day of the week River Valley offers an opportunity for fellowship and growth. *WEBSITE:* In the last 30 days there were 1,617 visitors to the website and 178 media plays of sermon and Sunday School recordings. *FACEBOOK:* In the last 28 days there were 81-page views and 255 video views.

Middle School and High School: A written report was submitted. Justin Roberts continues to utilize Old Testament narrative to help illustrate the true character of God to the middle schoolers. They are currently wrapping up a discussion on God's judgment. The Senior High classes continue to focus on the patriarchs in Genesis 12-50. Their discussions focus on the lessons learned from their faith and failures. The youth groups are studying Christ's address to the churches of Asia Minor in Revelation 2 and 3. A meeting is set for all the youth pastors in the Western Great Lakes District to discuss LIFE 2019. Pastor Golemi will learn more about what to expect and will also be able to network with other pastors to discuss any beneficial transportation arrangements. Pastor Golemi is planning the initial meeting for November 4 to be held with students and parents who are interested in attending the event.

Children: A written report was submitted. As of October 14, Mrs. Walker has cancelled the third service Discovery Land as attendance runs from 0-2. Awana numbers have been increasing with 55 kids being registered so far. Awana kids had the privilege of meeting Janice

Quinlan as she talked to the kids about Thailand. Mrs. Walker will be heading up the Operation Christmas Child Boxes this year.

Elder Report: A written report was submitted. The Elders will be holding interviews for new members on Tuesday, November 20. The Elders have begun working through the book “Eldership and the Mission of God” together as a group. They will be working one chapter a month.

Finance Report: A written report was submitted by Tim Beine. As of September 30, statement balances were: Checking \$124,197.40 and Money Market \$2,000.48. Credit Card Debt for September was \$4,807.78. Expenses exceeded revenue by \$1,257.76. The Build the Future Sinking Fund balance as of September 30, 2018 is \$135,934.08.

Impacts (Missions) Report: A written report was submitted. Janice Quinlan, Christian and Missionary Alliance Field Director for Thailand, was the featured guest for River Valley’s Missions Emphasis weekend. The event began on Wednesday, October 3, 2018 and ended October 10, 2018. While here Janice attended many events to tell of happenings in Thailand and her role there. Mike and Laurel Friedl will attend a Missions Mobilizer Envision Conference sponsored by RiverLife Alliance Church, St. Paul, Minnesota on October 27.

Service and Benevolence Report: A written report was submitted. Deposits of \$1,774.00 were made. Disbursements for September were \$950.00. The end-of-month balance for the Benevolent Fund is \$9,611.04. The Lord is opening opportunities with the Haus of Peace Watertown. He has also given the Service and Benevolence Committee the opportunity to help with the church picnic, potluck during Mission Emphasis weekend, and assisting with fellowship time following the funeral of Brad Eggers. They also helped with moving a regular church attendee to an apartment.

Treasurer’s Report: A written report was submitted. The budget process will begin this month and will end in December. As of the end of September 2018, RVAC has had 6.1% or \$26,632.93 more income than expenditures based on a linier budget. Income is 8.51% over budget and expenditures are 2.41% over budget. Year to date RVAC has spent \$17,971.75 **LESS** of the over-contribution made in 2017 for 2018 than would have been anticipated using linier budgeting.

Trustee Report: A written report was submitted. It was discovered that the floor at the bottom landing going downstairs by the Welcome Center is wet. The trustees felt that this was due to all the rain and the ground water table being high. There are no other areas of the basement that are wet. The Trustees will watch it closely and see what happens.

After a prayer over all the ministry reports by Justin Roberts, it was **moved** by Tim Beine to accept all ministry area reports. Second by Jeremy Walker. Discussion. **Motion passes.** Each of the reports in their entirety is available in the church office upon request.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Allocation to Sinking Fund: It was **moved** by Greg Schroeder to transfer \$10,000 from the General Fund to the Build the Future Sinking Fund. Second by Matt Colosky. Discussion. **Motion passes.**

Youth Room: Jeremy Walker **moves** to allocate up to \$4,000 for the refurbishment of the Youth Room. Seconded by Joe Haberkorn. Discussion. Greg Schroeder moves to amend the main motion by reducing the amount to \$1,500 to be spent in 2018, seconded by Pastor Zimmermann. **Motion to amend passes. Motion passes as amended.**

Establishment of Nominating Committee: Matt Colosky **moves** to establish a Nominating Committee. Tim Beine seconds. **Motion Passes.** Jeremy Walker nominates Tim Beine. Accepted. Matt Colosky nominates Robin Walker. Accepted. Motion by Tim Beine to close nominations Second by Joe Haberkorn. **Motion passes.** Justin Roberts **moves** to establish congregational meeting on November 11th for the establishment of the Nominating Committee. Joe Haberkorn seconds. **Motion passes.**

Elder Appointment: At a Special Governing Board Meeting on September 2, 2018, following Bruce Cochrane's resignation as Elder on Wednesday, August 29, a Special Governing Board Meeting was held. It was **moved** by Pastor Zimmerman to nominate Chris Mertens for appointment to fill the role of Elder vacated by Bruce Cochrane. Second by Matt Colosky. **Motion passed.**

Pastor Zimmermann closed the meeting in prayer. Tim Beine **moved** to adjourn. Second by Jeremy Walker. **The motion passes.** The next Governing Board meeting will be held on Thursday, November 15, 2018 at 6 p.m.

The minutes contained in this report pend final approval by the Governing Board at the next formal meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Pastor Caleb Atkins,
Charlene Flint, Governing Board Secretary
River Valley Alliance Church