

River Valley Alliance Church
Governing Board
July 18, 2019

Present: Dominic Alvarez, Tim Beine, Matt Colosky, Dan Ellsworth, Charlene Flint, Chris Mertens, Greg Schroeder, Jeremy Walker, Pastor Dave Zimmermann

Absent: Justin Roberts, Ron Sokovich

Guests: Pastor Michael Golemi, Robin Walker

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Dominic Alvarez opened the meeting with prayer and read Romans 12:1&2.

Previous Minutes: Jeremy Walker **moved** to approve the Minutes from the June meeting. Second by Matt Colosky. **Motion passed.**

Senior Pastoral Report: A written report was submitted. Pastor Zimmermann presented an organizational chart for the new Hospitality System. River Valley's logo is being revised and samples were discussed. The final total showed River Valley giving over \$20,000 to the Great Commission Fund! Pastor Zimmermann would like to revise the Employee Evaluation form and presented a sample of how the new form would look. He also presented other changes he would like to see in the Employee Handbook. Architect, Michael Trego, is willing to do a site plan for us free of charge.

Disciplemaking Ministries:

Adults: A written report was submitted. Training continues for small group leaders. They are now starting to form initial vision for the groups. In the Worship Plus 1, the men met July 12 and had a grilling/yard games evening. The women will get together for a movie night on July 26. The women are also beginning to recruit for the fall retreat.

Technology: Internet and computers continue to run smoothly. Badgerland has been responsive and easy to work with when any issues arise. There have been 299 active users of River Valley's website in the last 30 days as well as 124 media plays.

Middle School and High School: A written report was submitted. Pastor Golemi was privileged to see the students who attended LIFE, challenged by the Lord, to help them wrestle through what the Lord is calling them to, and to watch them respond in brave and miraculous ways. Pastor Golemi will be planning for summer youth group and activities and will have a schedule available by July 26. He is allowing high schoolers to pick the subjects/books/material they want to learn so that the students can play a more pivotal role in choosing what happens in youth group. His role will remain the scheduling and implementing of their plans,

Children: A written report was submitted. The Discovery Land teachers are enjoying a much-deserved break during July and August. Music Camp will be occurring July 22-25. There are currently 105 kids who have registered. The registration forms show that not one child marked about Music Camp from the Children's Fair. Awana preparations have begun. Volunteer teams for each age group are being set up.

Impacts (Missions) Report: A written report was submitted. Sukprasan has received his VISA! Sukprasan and Lindsays will be visiting October 15-21. There will be six people, including two toddlers. The Impacts team brainstormed ideas for a daily event calendar. Debbie Vik communicated regarding ideas for the 2020 Unity of Faith trip. Converge 2020 will be held in Colorado Springs, January 12-16. The Team discussed who should go. There will be a Ministry Fair on September 8.

Local Missions: No report was given.

Elder Report: An oral report was given. The Elders discussed mid-year reviews for the ministry team.

Service and Benevolence Report: A written report was submitted. Deposits of \$3,983.00 were made. Disbursements for June were \$1,291.00. The end-of-month balance for the Benevolent Fund was \$14,355.48. Discussion was held regarding an informal moving crew. This is not a defined function of the Service and Benevolence Committee. Church resources are not used and is organized through word of mouth. There are not enough volunteers in this area to take requests from families that are moving, but more often helping single moms, elderly, or families that don't otherwise have the resources.

Trustee Report: No report was given.

Finance Report: A written report was submitted by Tim Beine. As of June 30, statement balances were: Checking \$93,617.34 and Money Market \$2,001.22. Credit Card Debt for June was \$6,834.08. Revenues exceeded expenses by \$1,510.85. The Build the Future Sinking Fund balance as of June 30, 2019 was \$175,674.96.

Treasurer's Report: A written report was submitted. The average budgeted monthly cost of River Valley operations in 2019 is \$52,280.42. Average monthly collection through June was \$10,956.62 (online) + \$34,097.00 (traditional) = \$45,053.62 for a deficit of \$7,226.80/mo. The Treasurer is evaluating the potential purchase of a check scanner reader to make the weekly count more efficient. This will scan the check, make a copy and post the check.

The sound system is being looked at and discussion is being held as to how to implement it. A revised quote is coming in a few days. The sound system will also include finishing the sound in the Cry/Prayer Room.

Bylaw Review Committee: The Committee has not made any changes to the Constitution and Bylaws. Rather, the Committee resolved to provide the GB with guidance on areas it felt needed further explanation for best practice and to fulfill descriptions the Constitution and Bylaws require. The full report is available in the church office upon request.

After a prayer over the ministry reports by Matt Colosky it was **moved** by Tim Beine to accept all ministry area reports. Second by Jeremy Walker. **Motion passed.**

Each of the reports in their entirety is available in the church office upon request.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Allocation to Sinking Fund: Greg Schroeder **moved** to transfer \$2,000 from the General Fund to the Build the Future Sinking Fund. Second by Matt. **Motion failed.**

Constitution and By-Law Amendments: Greg Schroeder **moved** to accept the provided interpretation for items 1 through 11 as outlined. Second by Matt Colosky. Discussion was held. **Motion passed.**

Employee Handbook: Pastor Zimmermann **moved** to adopt changes to Employee Handbook due to the update of the Employee Performance Evaluation form. Second by Charlene Flint. **Motion passed.**

The next meeting will be Thursday, August 15, 2019.

Chris Mertens closed the meeting in prayer. Tim Beine **moved** to adjourn. Second by Dominic Alvarez. **Motion passed.**

Respectfully submitted,

Charlene Flint
Governing Board Secretary
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