St. Paul's Board of Directors' Meeting
Wednesday, October 13, 2021
6:00 pm – Fireside Room
Minutes

Chairman Call to Order – *Carl Van Fleet at 6:05 pm*

Opening Prayer & Devotions – *Bob Westphal "Execute the Next Shot"*

Secretary Roll Call (silent) Quorum – *Gail Kanneg*

1. **Non-Board Member Comments**
There were no non-board member comments.

2. **Consent Matters**
All matters approved by one motion unless a member requests separate action at which time it will be moved to the first item in the matters for consideration.

2.1 *Meeting minutes from August 3, 2021* **- Approved**
2.2 *Financial Report from June 30, 2021* – **Approved**

3. **Items to be added to the Agenda**
No items were added to the agenda.

4. **Boy Scouts** – *Natalie Garcia*
- *A committee was formed to review and explore solutions for maintaining relationship with Boy Scout Troop 241 and protecting St. Paul's from potential risk of future liability. The committee consisted of Pike Lambeth, Paul Lavigne and Natalie Garcia.*
- *Their primary objective is to figure out a way to continue serving as a meeting location for Boy Scout Troop 241. Current relationship, including Charter, creates potential risk for liability to St. Paul's due to issues faced by the National Boy Scout organization.*
- *According to St. Paul's insurance company and various legal opinions, any past claims not covered by BS of America's bankruptcy may fall onto St. Paul's, if any should arise. St. Paul's would be responsible for any new claims that could potentially occur. Other churches who are clients of ChurchWest Insurance are severing relationship with Boy Scouts due to uncertainty surrounding their exposure to liability.*
- *The committee recommends: not renewing the charter; communicating clearly with the congregation; letting Troop 241 use St. Paul's facility while we continue to explore options; and sharing this information with the troop in writing.*

5. **Enrollment, Attendance & Giving** – *Pastor Christenson*
- *On campus worship continues to increase while offerings are still down overall.*
- *Enrollment in the ECDC is looking way better; TK-8 is meeting projected numbers.*
- *Byanca shared the year-end financial report.*

6. **Sanctuary Update** – *Pastor Christenson*
- *Raw materials costs are skyrocketing, which will drive up our project cost.*
- *The plans were submitted to the City of Orange. They came back with four things they wanted addressed. These have been addressed and the plans have been resubmitted.*
- *A Voter's meeting needs to be scheduled so that we can inform the congregation on the increase in costs and ask for additional monies to be borrowed.*

7. Reports

7.1 Treasurer's Report – *Pike Lambeth*

- *Tithes and offerings are about 1.8% below budget, but 1.5% above last year.*
- *The Tuition Assistance Endowment Fund balance is $410K.*
- *We've collected about $924K for the Building for the Future campaign.*
- *We have not drawn from our line of credit for the sanctuary renovation.*
- *Established a designated reserve account so that we are prepared for future uncertainty.*

7.2 Senior Pastor's Report – *Pastor Christenson*

- *Pastor Christenson shared all the new activities that are now happening.*
- *Governor Newsom recently announced that California will be the first state in the nation to add a COVID-19 vaccine to the list of required school vaccinations pending full FDA approval of the vaccine for children.*
- *Pastor Velazquez is assisting the Pacific Southwest District as their coordinator for Hispanic Ministry. The new Hispanic Circuit had their first meeting on September 18, led by Pastor Velazquez. About 40 Hispanic Ministry leaders from around the District were in attendance.*
- *Pastor Christenson met with the Elders and briefed them on our current COVID policies and trained them to use Realm so they can communicate with their families.*

7.3 Governance Committee Report – *Bob Westphal*

- *Nothing to report.*

7.4 Endowment Committee – *Nick Seierup Balance of funds were submitted.*

- *Though the investment picture has become more unpredictable and fluctuating, our endowment funds continue to grow.*
- *Each of the Beta testers for the Lifetime Plan for Giving have made varying degrees of progress with the LCMS Foundation advisor.*

Closed Session

A motion was made to move into closed session to discuss personnel matters.
Motion was seconded – all in favor – motion carried.

A motion was made to come out of closed session.
Motion was seconded – all in favor – motion carried. No action was taken.

Adjournment & Prayer

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Chairman entertained a motion and second to adjourn – **Approved.**

Adjournment to continue in Service and Prayer.

Sincerely,
Gail Kanneg – Secretary

Next Regular Meeting – November 30

Those in Attendance on October 3:

Pastor Scott Christenson
Carl Van Fleet - President
Paul Lavigne – Vice President
Pike Lambeth – Treasurer
Gail Kanneg – Secretary
Natalie Garcia
Cassie Glastetter
Nick Seierup
Bob Westphal
Guests: Byanca Smith & Chuck Ramirez
Absent: Jack Mihr & Stefanie Ransom