

Board of Stewards

May 9, 2024

The board met at 7:00 pm. In Bldg 1 with the following members present: G. Kevin Baker, Bren Feutz, David Wilmoth, David Griffith, Crystal Drum, Sandy Murray, Roger Fulp, Julia Wax, Caroline McClure, Rhonda Norris, Butch Bennett, Linda Folger, Tom Scholl, Paul Williams, and visitors Nat Fahy, Sanders Hall.

Chairman David W. opened the meeting with the Lighting of the Christ candle, and a devotion from Upper Room Disciplines, using John 15:12-17 which spoke to the command to love one another. David led the opening prayer.

LOVING: Joy: Julia and Mark celebrating their 50th anniversary. Roger mentioned Youth Sunday and Pentecost Sunday we will be confirming 7 confirmands. Kevin wanted to thank the church for the prayers and expressions of love for Denise's Dad's passing. Tom wants prayers for the Tootle family who lost their home in a house fire. Caroline said praises for 22 days remaining in the school year. She was accepted into Graduate school for her Masters in visual impairment, also prayers for a teacher recovering from a bad car accident. Nat asked prayers for all kids and exams. Prayers for Pastor Layne on the loss of his mother.

LEARNING: Approval of minutes by consensus

LEADING:

Finance: Tom questioned the estimate on church security contract which has been spent. The bill was to replace system by BFPE. Linda approved the invoice. What remains in the budget is needed for maintenance expenses. David G. asked about the Audio-Visual

Equipment. It is in place for VBS. It has been used already for concert and in Sunday services. Crystal asked if the plate was turned in on the bus. Tom will ask Robbie Yates if he has done so. Church bus has been sold for \$8,000. Board members suggested using the money for a transportation fund. Discussion about what would be more appropriate for church use. Money will be put in the General Fund which needs to be tracked. Spending requires approval by the budget manager. Backpack for Kids was discussed, and Carolyn Amdahl said \$2,000 was already given. There were still unapproved bills coming in from Lowes Foods which Crystal will ask Carolyn to attend to. Members said perhaps fresh fruit was not necessary. Kevin spoke to the concern about building 2 toilets being a danger due to the model's high pressures system that have the potential to explode. Consensus was to go ahead and replace them. Kevin Murphy will find suitable replacement toilets and install them.

SPRC: Julia mentioned that Layne will be at PVUMC 75% of his time and 25% here. PVUMC have been given a grant to help him make this transition. The SPRC team met last night, and District Superintendent Jon Strother joined us. A meeting was called by the Bishop and Cabinet during the General Conference who discerned that they felt Kevin's gifts and graces were needed at another church. Kevin has been in much prayer and felt led to answer the vow to go where sent. Kevin then shared his thoughts and said he was still processing all that will change. He will announce this during Sunday service with a letter to follow. He feels we are in a good place and that God is in this process. He said that this is an amazing church and has seen a strong mission driven, Jesus loving church trying to grow in Christ and leading others to him. The timeline will be adjusted to keep him here until September 1st. He will step away in August to tend to his affairs both professionally and personally. The Bishop and D.S. Jon Strother will prayerfully search for the right replacement. SPRC has made it clear what qualities they desire in a new Pastor. He asked that this not be discussed outside of this

meeting. After the service there will be a recess and any interested will reconvene in the Sanctuary for a church family meeting. This will be shared in the other church Kevin is going to as well. Words of affirmation for Kevin were shared by members. All three of Kevin and Denise's children and their families were involved in Kevin's discerning process. Julia reminded us that this church loves well. Members laid hands on Kevin and Regina led us in thanksgiving and praise for Kevin's time with us.

Trustees: Linda brought up issue about trees on the Parsonage property line that needed to be trimmed or taken down to remove them from power lines. The Baptist Parsonage committee has trimmed back the trees on their side. Next week Linda will meet with an insured tree surgeon to decide what to do about one tree that is rotting. Regina asked that Linda be given Beth Curran's phone number to talk about her upcoming surgery.

Pastor Kevin will be sending out an e-note concerning his transition and other issues. He then closed the meeting in prayer.

Next meeting is scheduled for June 6th at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bren Feutz-Recording Secretary