

TUMC Board Minutes
1/22/2023

Present: Antonio Byrd, Tiago Donato, Blaine Proctor, Tino Herrera, Suzanne Fischer, Roger Taylor, Amy Christensen, Margie Richcreek, Susan Grotewold, LaVonne Meyer, Rudy Breland, Karen Mitchell

Absent: Ed Kail

Guests: Kay Salsbury, Danny Miller, Vernon Williams

After a pizza lunch, Roger Taylor opened the meeting asking for Pastor Tino Herrera to lead the board in prayer.

New Business

Pastor Tino Herrera reminded the group that Ash Wednesday is Wednesday, February 22, 2023. There are plans, he said, to have two study groups regarding the Gospel of Luke, Wednesday evening with Lee Johnson and a day study group with Tino with details to be announced later. Tino told the Board he was creating a 40-day bookmark.

Finance

Amy Christensen presented the
Financial Summary:

Cash total \$167,593.63
76% came from Unrestricted Funds \$124,721.85
24% came from Restricted Funds \$40,325.06

Income Statement Summary

Total Revenue to date \$235,252
Total Expenses \$197,668
Net Surplus \$37,584

Amy also answered questions and took suggestions regarding the new TUMC Purchasing Procedure Policy and the TUMC Credit Card Policy:

Make a list of things that can be paid for even if over the \$750.00, e.g., monthly Evergy bills which are \$1000+.

Have a finance committee of 3 board members who would have oversight of the finances and conduct an annual review.

Blaine Proctor made a motion to approve the Purchasing Procedure Policy with the addition of purchase exceptions and an annual review. LaVonne Meyer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Margie Richcreek moved to accept the TUMC Credit Card Policy. Rudy seconded the motion. The motion passed with all members voting for the motion.

Trustee Report by Roger Taylor

-The air handler motor that Metro Air removed from the fellowship hall cannot be rebuilt. They are currently looking for a replacement motor. This is the fan motor used for air conditioning in the fellowship hall.

-I went out to Olathe to talk to the owner of Thunder Abatement, the company working on the bell tower. I expressed our disappointment that the job is still not completed. The owner, Gina, apologized for the delays and said they have hired a new person that can complete the repelling work needed on the back side. She assured me that as soon as the weather cooperates, they will be out to complete the back side and paint the very top.

-A couple weeks ago, Russ was replacing a fuse in an electrical panel in the boiler room. The fuse was accidentally dropped into the panel and shorted out a section. An electrician was called out and the panel was repaired. The cost was only \$100.00.

Roger added to his written report with the information that the nursery is being renovated with paint and new carpet by Susan Grotewold, Beth Burnett and Roger Taylor. An anonymous donor is contributing money for the carpeting.

Roger also reported on the land at 6301 65th St. that Trinity owns along with City Union Mission. The non-profit is paying the taxes of \$190/year. The property is not amenable to building. They would like to sell or give to the Land Bank. To give to the Land bank, the land must meet certain criteria. TUMC agrees with City Union Mission. LaVonne Meyer suggested that Jeff Stevens might have some insights about the land.

Justice Task Force Report by Margie Richcreek

- primary municipal elections will be held on April 4, 2023; general election will be April 20, 2023 for school boards and city councils throughout MO
- Suzanne has designed an eye catching, but not TOO political, mobile voter education cart
- deadline for updating one's voter registration is March 8
- KS does not have similar elections at this time
- next JTF meeting on zoom will be Feb 6 at 7-8PM

Board Meeting Day/Time

The next meeting will be the fourth Sunday, February 26 at noon which is also the first Sunday of Lent.

Attendance

Office manager, Mary Allison Joseph, who formulated the report, congratulated the group for helping bring the attendance up an appreciable amount.

Visioning Team (and Cohort)

The Visioning Team is made up of

Tino Herrera

Jason Wormington

Roger Taylor

Blaine Proctor

Scott Grotewold

Susan Grotewold

Justin Andrus-Bearden

Suzanne Fischer

Karen Mitchell

Tino Herrera, Blaine Proctor, Roger Taylor, Karen Mitchell and Jason Wormington, representatives from the Vision Team attended a Cohort meeting in Columbia, Missouri Saturday afternoon, January 21. All thought that meeting and subsequent meetings with the Cohort will be helpful in developing TUMC's vision. All other Cohort meetings will be over Zoom every 3rd Thursday, the next one being February 16 from 6:00-8:00 PM. One issue that the Vision Team will work on is Communication. The Cohort has given us a Lay person and an Elder to coach the team. The first coaching call will be March 2nd. Blaine Proctor offered his meeting room because SAVE, Inc. has the technical tools for a mixed Zoom/conference call-The OWL.

Tamales and Black History

Pastor Tino gave the okay for The Tamale Kitchen to have a Black History dinner at Trinity. Becky, the Tamale Lady has not gotten back with him yet to finalize a date. This would be a good opportunity for Trinity to let attendees know the programs that Trinity has, too.

Guest Questions

Kay Salsbury asked if having new LED lights in the parking lot has made a difference in the Evergy bills? Mary Allison answered by saying she had not noticed a change because most of the electricity use was from the building.

Kay suggested that to take attendance, Trinity could use the attendance pads, putting them in the pews.

Danny Miller asked what a vision program was and Roger Taylor responded.

Guests were then asked to leave because the Board needed to talk about a personnel issue.

The meeting was adjourned with a prayer from Pastor Tino.

Suzanne Fischer, Recording Secretary