

ANNUAL MEETING FOR YEAR END 2008

Call to Order:

Pastor Bill McMinn called the meeting to order on Sunday January 25, 2009. Steve Arsulic, Dave Bissell, and Pastor Chris opened the meeting in prayer. Seven new members were presented and approved. Roll call was taken, and there were 86 voting members present out of 185 active members.

Minutes:

Meeting Dates – Annual Meeting of January 27, 2008
Meeting of February 24, 2009

As per no additions or corrections, the minutes of both meetings were accepted as presented.

Clerk's Report:

As per no additions or corrections, the Clerk's Report was accepted as presented.

Treasurer's Report:

Phil Powlowski noted that the net income was due to the Building Fund and the Forward in Faith pledges. As per no additions or corrections, the Treasurer's Report was accepted as presented. Pastor Bill thanked Lisa for all of her work and said he appreciated all she did.

GRACE Teams Report:

As per no additions or corrections, the GRACE Teams Report was accepted as presented.

Mission Report:

As per no additions or corrections, the Mission Report was accepted as presented.

Word of Life Bible Club Report:

As per no additions or corrections, the Word of Life Bible Club Report was accepted as presented.

Junior Church Report:

As per no additions or corrections, the Junior Church Report was accepted as presented.

Women's Ministries Report:

As per no additions or corrections, the Women's Ministries Report was accepted as presented.

Trustees Report:

As per no additions or corrections, the Trustees Report was accepted as presented. Pastor Bill thanked the Trustees for their work and time during the past year.

Deacons Report:

As per no additions or corrections, the Deacon's Report was accepted as presented. Pastor Bill thanked the Deacons for their work and time during the past year.

Assistant Pastor Report:

As per no additions or corrections, the Assistant Pastor's Report was accepted as presented.

Associate Pastor Report:

As per no additions or corrections, the Associate Pastor's Report was accepted as presented.

Senior Pastor Report:

As per no additions or corrections, the Senior Pastor's Report was accepted as presented. Pastor Bill thanked everyone that works behind the scenes to make all of our ministries work.

Building Committee:

The Building Committee was recognized and special appreciation given to Jeremy Sutch for all of his hard work, countless hours, and dedication to the project. The spouses of all those involved in all the different committees were thanked for their patience and understanding during these busy days as the building project proceeded and everyone worked toward the final goal of the Grand Opening.

Pastor Bill reviewed the goals completed through 2008 and then previewed the new goals set for 2009.

2008 Goals Completed:

- Broke ground for the new church building
- New website up and running
- Bridge Team established
- Youth involvement in service at church

Goals for 2009:

- Establish a Transition Team for the move into the new building
- Grand Opening celebration
- Expand Junior Church to upper grade levels (no Sunday School in 2009)
- Establish a Prayer Team to meet needs following worship services on Sunday mornings
- Consider needs for future part-time staff
- Communication Schedule – target specific ministries on various Sundays
- Adult volleyball league
- Establish a Tech Team
- Continue to be involved in the community
- Get more involvement in our ministries as we grow

Pastor Bill expressed his appreciation for everyone and all they do. He also encouraged each of us to keep one another in prayer.

Building Project Update:

Jeremy Sutch said the project is progressing nicely. They are currently moving forward with decisions on flooring. We are looking at a completion date in mid May. Jeremy asked that we pray for an early spring so they can get back to the exterior work that still needs to be completed.

Voting:

The ballots were passed out at this time and Pastor Bill went over the criteria used by the Nominating Committee and also explained the different elected offices of the church. The ballot included the election of officers and also a vote to approve or disapprove the proposed budget.

Elected Offices

- Deacon
- Trustee
- Treasurer
- Clerk
- (Sunday School Superintendent and Assistant on hold)

Criteria for Deacons – 1 Timothy 3: 1-7 and Titus 1: 5-9

- Regularly attends Sunday services
- Attends or serves in Wednesday night ministries
- Active in leading small group
- Member at least 12 months
- At least 25 years old
- Male

Criteria for Trustees – 1 Timothy 3: 8-13 and Acts 6: 1-6

- Regularly attends Sunday services
- History working special projects, workdays, and/or Sunday setup and teardown, etc.
- Prefer someone involved in small groups and Wednesday night ministries
- Member at least 6 months
- Male

Criteria for All Offices

- Godly
- Faithful to attend
- Member

Pastor Bill thanked David Brandt for his service in 2008. Jeremy Sutch moved we accept the ballot as presented and Carole Castrilla seconded the motion.

Budget:

Steve Arsulic reviewed the proposed budget for 2009 and addressed questions that had been presented regarding the budget.

- Highlighted percent changes from 2008 versus 2009
- 6572..Pastoral Professional Expense – What is included in this item? It includes items the pastors use professionally to do their jobs.

- 6590..Staff Addition – Has a part time person been interviewed or hired? No, this is something that might be added later in the year and will be considered as we continue to grow. If the need arises, it is already in the budget.
- 6601..Building Fund Expense – This item was the savings account in the past but will now be used for the mortgage payment.
- 6910..Interest Expense – This was money paid on actual principal in 2008.

Phil Pawlowski asked if any thought had been given on the current economic outlook when preparing the budget. The Budget Committee indicated that we still rely on God to supply and meet our needs and a lot of time has been spent in prayer seeking God's leading as the budget was prepared. The budget will be evaluated each month and, if necessary, adjustments can be made to make sure we are good stewards with what we are given from God. Jeff Watson read Philippians 4:19 – *And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.* Jeff added that he is also concerned with the economy but is relying on God to meet our needs.

Carrie Pawlowski is concerned with some of our outreach or children and youth ministries. If there are any fees involved, will that keep children from participating if they can't afford the fees. It was indicated if there was a need, there were monies available to help families out but sometimes if they do have to pay, it increases their commitment. This would be dealt with on a case by case basis as it has always been done in the past.

Dennis Osborn asked if we would be setting up a food pantry once we are moved into the new facility. Pastor Dave said Manna is for the entire Jefferson area and includes the Rock Creek community. We are already involved in that project and would continue to support that involvement.

Ann Sutch commented that she was reflecting on the changes as we have grown over the years in attendance and with finances and God's faithfulness.

Gary Babb also commented that many projects are able to be completed throughout the year without touching the budget as people donate their time and talents.

Pastor Bill once again thanked everyone for their work in preparing the budget and working on the building project.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

A question was raised about space for wheelchairs and other equipment at the new building. In the plans, they have tried to utilize all areas of the building and have made all areas usable areas, so there is not a lot of storage area.

Fellowship time was mentioned and concerns regarding food and beverage in the new facility. The Board will review this and will make any necessary recommendations but were reminded that we need to keep people in mind and not the organization.

Voting Results:

The results of the election of officers and approving the budget for 2009 were announced. All nominations were accepted with the majority in agreement. There was one that abstained and a couple of no votes on the budget. The ballot was approved as follows:

- DeaconTom Waltermire
- TrusteeGary Babb
- TrusteeEd Brown
- TrusteeSteve Myers
- Treasurer.....Lisa Sack
- Clerk.....Rita Miklacic
- Proposed 2009 Budget.....Approved

Pastor Bill closed the meeting in prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rita Miklacic