

**October, 19, 2014**  
**Lindenwood Board Meeting Minutes**

**Attending:** Bill Dancer, Ric Potts, Susan Archey, Rachel Lyles, Bill McConnell, Linda Craig, Marena McDonald

**Absent:** Gary Aulfinger, Wayne Cook, Herb Hilgeman

**New Board Secretary is needed.** Emily Duke volunteers for the position. Ric Potts makes a motion, Linda Craig seconds. Emily Duke is the new board secretary until January 1, 2015.

**September 21<sup>st</sup> meeting minutes and August ministry reports** will be approved via email this week since we were unable to open the file by email.

**Staff new credit card approval.** Our bank account is with Commercial Bank and Trust and has two debit cards. Both are used for purchasing food for the Life Center and are in the names of Michelle Campbell and Jeanne Ann McBride (a former employee of the life center). The debit cards are now being canceled and replaced by Bank of America Master Cards since Sam's Club now accepts Master card. Additionally at the recommendation of Lynn Pleasants, the church/Life Center/Child Care Center staff will switch their corporate cards from Visa to Master Card as well. This needs board approval. Any employee with a credit card will sign a credit card agreement. We discussed how many credit cards are needed. Bill would like to reduce the number of credit cards. The following individuals will have credit cards: Alan Wells, Cindy Franklin, Bill Ferguson, Phil Vaughn, Josie Wallace, and Michelle Campbell. They will be required to review the credit card policy before getting the card. A motion was made to approve the opening of the Master Cards for the Life Center and church staff by Ric Potts. Bill Dancer seconded the motion. Rachel will write letter for Master Card which is needed because we are a non-profit organization.

**Old Business:**

Water damage/insurance

Frank Fly reports: Belfor (general contractor) is complete expect for final electrician repair scheduled for October 20<sup>th</sup>. Gilland has cleaned scheduled sections and repaired and sealed the roof. First coat of roof material is scheduled for October 20<sup>th</sup> as well.

Gary Aulfinger reports on the AV equipment: The audio equipment has been ordered and the video equipment is being ordered. The new stage is built minus some carpeting cover. W.O.W service will be moving back into Stauffer Hall this weekend. We won't be on the new equipment for awhile but getting back into the space will help with over crowding and band rehearsal.

**New Business:**

**Sr. Minister's Report** – Rev. Dr. Bill McConnell

We have a lift that Alan Wells uses to replace bulbs and such. He has to buy a new/used one because the old one can't be repaired. He is researching cost.

Bill also reports Staff meetings are interesting. They now meet in Bill's office and it is working much better than meeting in the conference room. Lots of synergy. Great new ideas. Very positive.

Bill is directing a Small group leader training of 11 members. This is key to Bill. One of the most important things you can do is have healthy small groups to help people grow spiritually. They meet on Tuesday evenings.

The first Core team meeting was held this past week and there was a lot of good exchange of information. Bill feels this is a foundational item for the church. We currently need a fellowship core

team lead. We need to ask Morgan Parks to be the liaison for Fellowship to get the data ready for budget planning purposes. Stephen ministers, funeral dinners, special events and receptions, and Christ care all fall under the fellowship.

**Financial Report – Rachel Lyles.** Lynn Pleasants is out of town. We reviewed the report. Arlene Diaz needs a board liaison to work with her on the church space rental committee. Their goal is to rent the church space on days that it is empty. Linda Craig will fill this position. We agreed we would review the church alcohol policy to attract more receptions to build revenue to the church. We discussed that this may result in opposition but we feel our financial situation is pushing us to do something and we feel this may help Arlene's committee rent church space for events.

Pledges we have 118 as of this week and we had 181 from last year. We will have a final pledge count by the end of the month to build the budget. Lynn had advised that it might be necessary to move the presentation to the board out one week. It was the Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> and we will possibly move to Nov 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Stewardship Recommendations: 2015 designated fund management- Rachel Lyles** Stewardship has a recommendation for the board that they will be presenting in the next two weeks.

**Member Questions and Comment Time:**

Everyone agreed that the Deacons really stepped up and helped with Lindenfest. It was mentioned that Advertising was really good and done by B. Scott Duke. Terry Reeves was a wonderful lively chairperson. Lots of talents within our church was displayed in the booths. Jessica Hunter and Carol Deaver did a great job getting vendors. Actually the whole Lindenfest team was wonderful and a lot of love and work went into putting Lindenfest together this year.

We would love to have more meaningful intimate gatherings. We look forward to celebration Sunday to be a joint service November 9<sup>th</sup> with a luncheon following.

We would like the information for Sunday schools classes to be updated. Wilson may need to update the youth schedule as well.

**Meeting adjourned.** Emily Duke