

Lindenwood Board Retreat Minutes Saturday February 27, 2016

Attendees: Pastor Law, Chris Luhrs, Phil Vaughn, Robin Calloway, Chris Nemec, Linda Craig, Dallas Minner, Krista Williams, David Johnson, Emily Duke, Jerry Ann Cox, Cindy Dando, Anna Hough

Pastor Law opened the meeting with prayer at 9:30 am.

The church Constitution and Bylaws were reviewed: Emily Duke and Linda Craig led the discussion. The Constitution and revised Bylaws will be published. Attendance requirements for Board Members were discussed.

Anna Hough was elected as Bylaws Liaison
Krista Williams was elected as Board Parliamentarian

Community Unity 5K Race April 2: Phil Vaughn shared that the Memphis Food Bank will be the race beneficiary. Our goal is to unite the community and spread Lindenwood's name. Pastor Law discussed the race is something we can all connect to and support. Sponsor opportunities are available for corporations and individuals.

DISC Assessment: Board members were asked to take the DISC personality assessment. It allowed us to identify each board member's management style.

Breakout Sections: Three teams discussed how to attract new members, retain existing members, and connect with perspective members.

Financial Review:

- 2015 - Under budget.
- 2016 – Contributions and Offerings were down for January and February.
- Letters will be sent to members and prospective members reminding them of their obligation to support the church. Thanks to Anna Hough and Cindy Dando for their extra efforts working with the budget.
- April 1st Planned Giving Dinner. Estate giving and planning options will be discussed by Richard Fisher.
- Current financial emphasis is on the church budget. At a later time we will move to greater emphasis on the Raise the Roof Campaign.
- Pastor Law recommended that we think of new ways to generate funds to meet budget goals.

Elders Report: Cindy Dando reported prayers are needed for Will Stevens, grandson of elder Cheryl Stevens Manning.

Installation Weekend: Many exciting things will be happening during the weekend including the Unity Race. There will special speakers and church dignitaries in attendance.

Donated Stained Windows: Chris Luhrs gave an update on placement of the stained windows donated by Grace and Monte Brown.

- Midtown Glass Company can install the windows but they need to reframe them.
- Recommendation was made to explore hanging the windows in Bryan/Goodwin Hall.
- The board wanted to see a picture of the windows. There was discussion of a picture of the windows contained in a book of the history of McLemore Christian Church.
- The board asked Chris to obtain additional information on the exact cost to frame and hang the windows and bring that back to the board.

Weddings at Lindenwood: Elders proposed that all couples who want to be married at Lindenwood will be referred to Pastor Law for her review and consultation. A motion was made to accept the Elders recommendation and it was unanimously approved.

Politics and Lindenwood: Dallas Minner asked how Lindenwood should handle politicians who want to come to the church during the election season. The topic was tabled for a later meeting.

Ron Buck Portrait: Pastor Law discussed hanging Ron Buck's portrait in the library. A motion was made to hang the portrait with other past Lindenwood pastors.

A Motion to Adjourn was made at 1:15pm and the meeting ended with a prayer.

Minutes respectfully submitted by board secretary Kim Hunter.