

Vision Team Meeting Minutes

August 11, 2011

Present:

Pastor Greg, Pastor John, Pastor Marilee, Fred Bursch, Rich Moen, Shane Johnston, Dan Loken, Roger Thalman, Stacey Lamski, Kathy Ortloff, Caroline Petefish, Patrick Kalina

Opening Devotions provided by Rich Moen

Worshipful Work: (Pastor John)

- Highlighted the happiness, joy, laughter, and vitality that he sees in FLC in comparison to other congregations in general.

Treasurer's Report: (Dan)

- July was about a break even month for giving and expenses.
- Currently we are sitting about \$12,000 in the red (against the budget to date), but we haven't dipped into our line of credit at all.
- All bills are currently paid.
- Motion to approve, seconded, passed.

Secretary's Report:

- Motion to approve the report as provided, seconded, passed.

Pastor's Reports:

Pastor John:

- February 15, 2012, will be Pastor John's last day of work at FLC. He will be retiring.
- Methods of announcement and distribution to the congregation were discussed.

Pastor Greg:

- Will be a voting member at the church-wide assembly next week in Florida.
- Shared information on voting "Yes" for the high school bond referendum.

Pastor Marilee:

- Has been very busy with lots of work with congregational members.

Old Business

Reports:

- Youth: None
- Children's Ministry: Getting ready for fall activities. Another large group of Sunday School kids is on the way.
- Stewardship: Working on the letters in the Focus newsletter highlighting stewardship. This is a multi-month campaign.
- Worship: Park worships are going well and the fairgrounds as a backup site worked well too.

- Adult Ministry: Fall events are coming up fast. The picnic had between 250 and 300 attendees.
- Missions: Worldwide effort to eradicate malaria is underway. More information will be shared with the congregation soon. Our current missionary is retiring and a new one is being signed up. We annually budget \$15,000 for missionary support.
- Volunteer Ministry: Spirit Fest is coming soon (September 11) and will be set up differently than in years past. Boards won't have booths but each will have one representative involved in "Challenges." Food/pancake breakfast will be located in the basement.
- Property: Will be serving breakfast at Spirit Fest. Sanctuary roof repair still scheduled for early to mid-September. The group discussed the importance of holding off on the project until after Spirit Fest.

Facilities Usage Taskforce: (Roger)

- Final Facilities Usage Report was shared and discussed.
- Next steps: Executive Committee and Treasurer will look into feasibility study consultant options.
- **Action Taken:** Motion to accept the recommendations of the facilities needs taskforce and move forward with a feasibility study. (m/s/a)

Retirement Committee:

- Stacey and Kathy were named to a retirement celebration committee and will bring forward plans and timelines at a future meeting.

New Business

Transition: (Pastor John)

- The group discussed transition options for the Senior Pastor position.
- **Action Taken:** A list of people to potentially make up a call committee (numbering approximately 5) will be brought forth at the next Vision Team meeting to begin the transition process. Recommended that the committee be made up of a cross-section of church makeup. Email suggestions of committee members should be emailed to Fred before the September meeting.

Adjourn at 6 p.m.

Next meeting: September 8th at 5:30pm. Location TBD.

Respectfully submitted,
Patrick Kalina