

GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

March 25, 2019

Kathy Breazeale Pastor John Bell Bob McKnight Wally Loague
Roger Curless Bruce Lawrie Regrets: Mary Terrell

Worship & Lighting of the Christ Candle

Pastor John led us in prayer for our day and for Meredith Lindgren, Jaffke Family, Walter Loague, Bob McKnight. We want to celebrate and honor the contribution of Bruce Lindgren to the Governing Board. Naming Bruce: never rattled, very creative, behind the start of Recycle your Bicycle, Mug Club, very supportive of Wesley's change to the one board Governance system.

What do we need to accomplish in our time together today?

Discussion from the Saturday Brunch was good with good ideas raised. We want everyone to know that the Governing Board is accessible and open. Our next congregational meeting will be Sunday, June 9 @ 10:00 am (between services)

The Governing Board is studying together "Having Nothing, Possessing Everything" by Michael Mather. The topic of book is his path in discovering Asset Based Community Development and how to apply it to his ministry. We discussed how it may apply to Wesley. Could we open a School of the Spirit? What classes could we offer? Could we have quincenera's here? We need to learn how to pay attention to people's gifts, breaking the habit of listening to discern need their needs. We need to listen to people's stories. We also think we could quality for a grant from the Dunham Fund for our work with refugees thru World Relief. For next month we will read chapters 5 & 6. We need to order more books to offer interested people.

Statement of Inclusiveness

After discussion we added: Marital Status. We will ask all groups using Wesley, Including People for Childcare, World Relief, Boy Scouts, Nursery School to sign this statement and that they will commit to working with Wesley on a path to full inclusion.

Chain of Command during Pastor John's Renewal Leave

1st Contact should be with Jenny Pawlowski or Mollie Foster.

Finance – Jenny Pawlowski and Ann Merk will work with Roger Curless and Bruce Lawrie.

Personnel – Kathy Breazeale and Bob McKnight

Trustees – Wally Loague and Mary Terrell

John – will not have day to day contact but will accept emails. John will send small reports in on how his leave his going.

Pastoral – Bill Olibal will be preaching and meeting with staff. In emergencies, contact Carol Stoffel. Tom Cross will also be available along with the other pastors from the Cluster.

Governing Board – let Jenny Pawlowski know of any plans. Include Co-coordinators

Finance

Income - \$93,777 vs \$133,133.76 in 2018. (-\$39,356.75)

\$80,572.17 available for Capital Campaign projects

Apportionments

The Northern Illinois Conference has ok'd designated giving. 3 funds listed; churches can decide which to give to. Pay to 3 funds, churches will receive 100% credit.

On Going Connection to UMC

June 9th Congregational listening session after 2nd service. Serve a light lunch. Have Mollie Foster as facilitator.

Change of Outdoor sign

Not a good optic for us, needs some clean up and restructuring. Could we purchase a vinyl overlay? We could check with Phil Studdard on making a very nice one. Is solar power possible?

Change the World Sunday- If we are going to do this again, we need to ask for volunteers to find sites and projects. If no one volunteers to head up this outreach, we will not be able to do it this year.

Rainbow Sign

A new, solid rainbow banner has been purchased with donated funds to be mounted on the front of the church.

World Relief Gala

We will support this event by buying a table of 10. \$75,00 per person at Esplanade Lakes in Downers Grove

Roger Curless closed the meeting in prayer

NEXT MEETING IS WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17 AT 12:30. Bill Olibil will be joining us.