

Board of Deacons Meeting

May 13, 2013

Prayer and Devotions -

Bruce Opened at 6:45 PM with Proverbs 26 . Otis Powell led in prayer.

Roll Call -

Otis Powell, Bruce Eckel, Kevin Kritzberger, Joe Meier and John Romero.

Excused: George and Mark Hardy, Bob Smith, Rob Christiansen , Kamba Kalubi and Elder Shawn Sommons

Discussion Items -

- 1) **Activities** - Day trips for the summer on hold i.e.: Beach, softball has begun doing daily devotional making headway with non-believers. Easter sun rise service had about 70 in attendance.
- 2) **Benevolence** - Balance of \$14309.00 as for April 30th, Joe asked to John to talk with all ushers about using forms in his mail box for requests, also offer bread from tables.
- 3) **Caregivers** - Started a website for needs; more to follow.
- 4) **Community Concerns** - Nothing to report.
- 5) **Church-School Liaison** - Reimbursement Agreement will be finalized within 2 weeks (using a matrix on room and hours usage. Talked in length about school contact with church
- 6) **Counting** - List is up-to-date in usher closet.
- 7) **Ordinances** - Nothing to report.
- 8) **Property** - Tim Walter received bid for church excavating, see report for more info on other issues.
- 9) **Safety/Usher/Emergency Response and Evacuation** - See report; also, John will talk with Pastor Tim about fire drills during church service.
- 10) **Transportation** - Nothing to report.

Next Meeting

July 15, 2013 at 6:30 PM

Closing prayer - Joe Meier

These minutes were recorded by John Romero.

They have been compiled and submitted by Mark Hardy, Secretary to the Board of Deacons.

Benevolence Committee Report –May 2013

The Benevolence Committee met Thursday, May 16th.

Balance of Benevolence Account end of April 2013 is \$14,309.75.

- Restocking the Giant gift cards - \$1,000 worth. Only 3 \$10 cards left as of Sunday, May 19.
- Kevin related some stories of folks asking for assistance that have lied to him and also some that are on our “do not give gift cards to” list. A reminder to ushers and pastors to check the list that is in the folder in Joe Meier’s mailbox, although ushers should have the person fill out the Intake Form in Joe Meier’s mailbox and ask them to come back on Monday, and offer for them to take food that we have in Room 2.
- Considering making a donation to Dan Allen’s car fund in the 800followme.com ministry. He is in need of a vehicle. Their current van has about 240K miles. Benevolence has asked him to send us more information regarding his ministry.
- Considering giving \$1,000 to the church plant that Keith Strunk is leading for their benevolence needs. Kevin is following up with the pastors on this item.
- Benevolence will help cover the costs of buying food for the Bridge Ministry when it is EBFC’s turn to host it.
- We are looking to update our resource book for assistance to the poor. We need to be able to have a better idea of what the qualifications are for these ministries, i.e. Bethany, 2nd Harvest, etc.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joe Meier

Caregivers Report: March 2013

We have had the opportunity to serve one member with meals. Nine Ebenezer families have provided meals. This also provided opportunity for visitation after a major surgery for this member.

Pastor Jason, Kevin Gascho and I met to discuss and pray about continued direction of the Caregivers Ministry and how it can continue to best serve the needs of Ebenezer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rob Christiansen

ACTIVITIES MEETING

MAY

(WE DID NOT MEET OFFICIALLY AS A COMMITTEE)

OPENING PRAYER:

ATTENDANCE:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **DAY TRIPS:** DAY TRIP TO THE BEACH MAY HAVE TO BE PUT ON HOLD THIS YEAR DUE TO HURRICANE AND ITS IMPACT TO ISLAND BEACH STATE PARK. FURTHER INVESTIGATION IS NEEDED.
- **SPORTS:** SOFTBALL HAS STARTED AND HAS BEEN GOING WELL. AN IMPORTANT EMPHASIS HAS BEEN MADE TO INCLUDE A DEVOTIONAL TIME AT THE END OF EVERY GAME FOR THE PLAYERS. DART BASEBALL HAS ENDED AND THE TEAM FINISHED IN SECOND PLACE.
- **MOVIE:** EBFC ATTENDED A SPECIAL SCREENING OF "HOME RUN" THAT SOME OF THE MEMBERS WENT TO VIEW TO SEE IF WE WANT TO PARTNER IN WITH THIS EVENT. AFTER VIEWING IT WE DECIDED NOT TO MAKE A BIG PUSH FOR THIS MOVIE. WE WILL ONLY DO A GENERIC ADVERTISEMENT FOR THIS MOVIE.
- **SPORTING EVENTS:** A PHILLIES OR WB/SCRANTON RAILRIDERS OUTING MAY BE SCHEDULED.
- **EASTER SUNRISE BREAKFAST:** WE SAW APPROXIMATELY 70 PEOPLE ATTEND THIS SERVICE.

NEXT MEETING WILL BE IN JUNE TO DISCUSS FUTURE COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION AND EVENTS.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
KEVIN KRITZBERGER

Property Meeting Minutes April 15, 2013

All excavation quotes for the work on the north side of the church and at the parsonage were reviewed.

It was decided to go ahead with the quote from Tim Walters excavating. We will also have him add the additional work of straightening and staking the trees that blew over around the retention pond to try and save them. This work should start around May 15, 2013.

Wayne reported on the Elders decision on the topics of allowing drinking, dancing or smoking on the property. The policy shall remain the same that none of the activities are allowed in the building. It will be permitted to allow smoking outside at certain events like funerals and wedding receptions. This should not be advertised and when requested they should be directed to use the sidewalk across the driveway and never close to any of the entrances to the building. Robbin, Rachael and Norma Hall will be informed of this policy.

Kevin is getting samples of numbers to be used on the windows and doors of the rooms that will match up with the fire alarm system for emergencies. These will be used by police or fireman to identify the rooms from outside or inside the building for faster response time.

The HVAC unit for rooms 12-14 was repaired and had the TXV valve replaced. We still have issues with some of the controls of rooms 15-20.

The main sewage line was clogged today and we had Agentis plumbing come and clean it out. There was a large amount of disinfecting wipes and sanitary napkins clogging it up. We will post small labels on the toilets informing people to only flush toilet paper!

There was a request for more handicap spaces in front of the church. We will check on the need for the next couple of weeks and will add more if needed.

BCS has requested permission to have some of the rooms tested for air quality because one of the students has been ill and his doctors requested this. Permission was given for this to be done.

Next meeting date is June 17, 2013 at 7:00 pm.

Prepared by George Hardy