



Ebenezer
Bible Fellowship Church

Board of Deacons Meeting

September 21, 2015

Roll Call - Kevin Kritzberger, George Hardy, Mark Hardy, Rob Christiansen, Joe Meier. Excused: Kamba Kalubi, John Romero, Andy Meeks.

Devotional - Kevin shared 'Our Daily Bread' concerning our mortality, and our identity in Christ.

Opening Prayer - Rob Christiansen

Previous Minutes - Pending review by the board, via email.

Committee Reports:

- 1) Activities [Kevin] - See attached report.
- 2) Benevolence [Joe] - See attached report.
- 3) CareGivers [Rob] - Rob asked the board to use discretion prior to offering deacon services/benevolence assistance. It is requested that the board contact Rob with any 'needs'.
- 4) Church-School Liaison [Andy] - EBFC and BCS 2015/2016 Agreement is pending signature(s).
- 5) Community Concerns [John] - Nothing to report.
- 6) Counting [Kevin] - Nothing to report.
- 7) Elder Liaison [Shawn] - Nothing to report.
- 8) Ordinances [Kamba] - Proposed replacement of communion trays; Kamba will get an estimate.
- 9) Property [George] - See attached report.
- 10) Crisis Management [Andy & John] - All first Aid boxes are full and up to date, and supplies were ordered and received.

11) Transportation [Mark] -

- Mini-Bus:
 - A/C Repair was completed. Cost: \$2177.46
 - Body damage to steps/entry door was completed. Cost: \$368.73
 - Cargo bay door position light switch serviced.
 - Driver's accessories control panel faceplate serviced.
- Van: No issues to report.

12) Technology [Mark] -

- Pastor Mark's Chromebook was damaged at a recent youth event, and the screen no longer operates; all attempts to repair the screen's connections to the motherboard failed to solve the issue. It is still operational when connected to a monitor; as such he is temporarily using it essentially as 'desktop' pc, while we work on acquiring an adequate replacement for his needs.
- Cisco Meraki System
 - Discussed future of Cisco Meraki system use on site as well as associated subscription fees with BCS (Tim Wilkins). They are committed to the Cisco Meraki system and all associated subscription fees.
 - In light of that information, we (EBFC Tech) are contemplating purchasing an additional Meraki WAP (and necessary Cisco subscription) from the Tech budget, for use in the church office wing. Prior to purchase, we will make final attempts to cover Wi-Fi 'holes' by relocating the Preschool room (Rm 5) WAP to a more central location in an attempt to provide adequate coverage in the sanctuary, foyer, and church conference room.

13) Ushers [Rob] - No issues during picnic; first and second service crews were combined, with 4 extra ushers.

New Business - Joe will be contacting each committee chairman to discuss 2016 budgeting.

Next Meeting - Deacon Board Service project October 19th. Read Introduction and Chapter 1 of Tim Keller's Generous Justice for November meeting.

Closing Prayer - Joe Meier

Respectfully Submitted,
Mark Hardy,
Deacon Board Secretary

Activities Committee

September 14, 2015

MEETING DATE: SEPT. 14

General consensus amongst the committee members was that the Activities committee still has purpose here at EBFC. Discussions were that even though kinships and other ministries are planning events, there is still a need to run programs that will get a wide range of participants that will come out to events and still meet the vision of this committee.

Another discussion in regards to trips was discussed. This led to the request to the deacons that any future events that may fall into the activities realm be directed to this committee before any discussions or decisions be made on such requests.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **SPORTS:**

- Zumba still is being held on Monday and Thursday evenings with attendance around 9-12 women in each.
- In addition to the kinder- soccer program which has the 4 & 5 yr. olds, we have added the next age group which includes 6 & 7 yr. olds. This program is thru AFC as well and takes place on Saturday mornings. It began Sept 12th and runs eight weeks. There have been 24 kids in attendance so far.

- **ALL CHURCH:**

- The outdoor service, which was held yesterday, September 20th was received very well by the parishioners. Many positive comments were made to the church leaders. Many thanks to go George Hardy and Mark Florentine especially for organizing and preparing the food, as well as the many other volunteers who pitched in as well to do various jobs that were needed to get done in order to make this day a success.
- A chili cook off was discussed to have in the winter months. Rob Christiansen will be doing the planning on this event.

- **SPECIAL EVENTS:** Lehigh Valley Phantoms trip is being planned for the winter months.

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

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
KEVIN KRITZBERGER

Benevolence Committee Report

September 2015

The Benevolence Committee met on August 20, 2015

Balance end of Aug = \$17,011.77

The BC paid for moving truck and a washer for a family that moved to a different rental house.

We will have Financial Peace University in the fall. Keith Beyer is coordinating it. Intro on 9/29, and sessions start on Tuesday October 6th, and will continue each Tuesday for a total of 9 weeks. We are considering a follow-up program called the Legacy Journey. If we decide to offer this program, it will start in January 2016.

For Thanksgiving and Christmas we discussed the gift cards that we have done in past years. YACS will not be doing gift boxes this year. We are also considering including some families from Lynnfield. We will discuss this at our October meeting.

Most of the meeting was centered on discussing the updated Benevolence Committee Policy. This should be finalized within the next month or two.

Joe Meier

Property Meeting Minutes

August 17, 2015

- The Sanctuary and south side roofing project is finished except the front entrance trim and the gutter work in the playground area.
- The gym windows will be replaced sometime in August or September.
- The sidewalk concrete work is being delayed until mid-September.
- Front trees will be cut down 8/19 and they will return to stump and root grind after the sidewalks are taken out.
- The windows in the front office wing will be replaced sometime in September.
- The test area on the gym roof should also be done sometime in September.
- We plan on replacing the front trees with Trident Maple Trees.

We are planning a work day in October, Saturday 10 or 17, to trim trees along William Penn.

The neighbor behind the church is placing a shed near his property line behind our shed.

Locking down the office wing is being discussed again and may be implemented in the near future.

A new secure system for checking in the children for Sunday school is being planned.

We will begin working on the plans for the foyer renovations.

Next meeting date is October 19, 2015 at 9:00 am

Prepared by George Hardy